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Thumbs up

Dear Editor,

A big "thumbs up" for the Academy Awards. I rarely find myself in the middle of what goes on in "Pop-Culture," but I was home, and my "Better-Half" was in the other room watching the broadcast and I kept finding myself wandering in and out of the room. I had no interest in "awards shows," especially after the latest one that aired, full of inappropriate remarks. The event was respectable and in good taste, as an award ceremony should be, the winners and guests were gracious and the production format was traditional.

The recipients of the Oscars were basically "in and out" and their acceptance speeches were without a long moral message. I applaud Tom Hanks, although not gay, his words were short and with a positive message, his speech and appearance portrayed a healthy image for gays and lesbians. All this with no little red ribbon!

Even though the "Pop-Culture" Media found it boring, I thoroughly enjoyed the program and am refreshed to find the performers and artists that were present did not deem it necessary to shock or offend the world to make a point.

Sincerely,
Name withheld

He Said/She Said

"I'm worried. I lie in bed at night and worry about [the homosexuals]. The thing that bothers me is: suppose it turns out they're right!"

Gene Fowler

RCDC reaches out

Dear Editor,

The River City Democratic Club needs your support.

RCDC continues its important mission of working within the Democratic Party to achieve justice, equality and dignity for the Sacramento lesbian and gay community. Activities include the continuation of our highly successful volunteer project, River City 94, in the upcoming June and November elections.

RCDC will also be working with county and city officials to encourage active recruitment within the gay and lesbian community in the police, sheriff and fire departments. We will continue our efforts to expand Domestic Partnership benefits to include Sacramento county and the State of California.

RCDC budgets about $500 for production of the *River City Democrat*, office supplies, postage and meeting facilities.

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Dan Gentry
Ralph Rodriguez
Membership Co-Chairs

Boxer on AIDS funding

Dear Editor,

Please find a copy of a letter I sent to Leon Panetta, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, regarding increased funding for AIDS prevention programs at the Centers for Disease Control. Please do not hesitate to contact any of my offices with concerns you might have in the future.

Sincerely,
Barbara Boxer
United States Senate

Dear Mr. Director:

I am writing to request that the President's fiscal year 1995 budget contain an increase in funding for AIDS prevention programs at the Centers for Disease Control.

I know that you are faced with the need to cut funding for many important federal programs. I am therefore pleased that the Administration has reportedly decided to recommend funding increases for the Ryan White Care Act and other HIV-related programs. However, I have been contacted by Californians who are extremely concerned about reports that the OMB has recommended that there be no increase for the CDC's AIDS prevention programs.

I share those concerns. AIDS and related infections have become the number one killer of young adults in many U.S. cities and states, including California. A recent report of the National Institutes of Health concludes that "Adolescent and young adult HIV transmission guarantees the continuation of the AIDS/HIV epidemic, barring a substantially expanded national prevention effort."

We cannot waste any more time in making the necessary effort. The Administration and the Congress took some important steps last year to end years of governmental inaction in response to the AIDS crisis. But those steps were only a beginning. Higher funding levels for all AIDS programs, and especially for prevention, are fully justified by the present emergency.

I commend the attention you have given the HIV epidemic, and thank you for giving serious consideration to this request.

Sincerely,
Barbara Boxer
United States Senate

Florida Citrus boycott

To Whom it May Concern,

It was my unfortunate timing to have lived in Florida during the time of Anita Bryant. My childhood home is in Orlando.

After serving over three years with U.S. Senator Edward J. Gurney, at which time I was pleased to have met and known Governor (then U.S. Senator) Chiles, I went on to another high level appointive governmental position.

I was fired in 1977 after my superior was informed that I am homosexual. I was fired not for incompetence, not for lack of accomplishment or doing my job, and not for anything I had done or not done. I was fired simply due to my sexual orientation; a sexual orientation anathema at that time due to the platform provided Anita Bryant by the Florida Citrus Commission. It took me years to recover from this episode in my life.

The letter I recently received from Citrus World, Inc. is misleading.

First, I did not call them by phone; I wrote a personal note.

Second, to suggest "bigotry" to be simply "controversial" is reprehensible. Our society thrives upon, grows with, strengthens its ethical and moral fabric due to, and could not continue without controversy. Bigotry, however, ultimately destroys any nation fool enough to embrace the personal and unsubstantiated illusions of such persons as Anita Bryant or Rush Limbaugh.

Third, to suggest the Florida Citrus Commission is completely outside the influence of a company such as Citrus World suggests that I am the fool.

Perhaps. But not fool enough to contribute to Mr. Limbaugh's $1 million fee by purchasing Florida orange juice. I shall not assist in inviting the demise of another person's career; such as mine experienced nearly twenty years ago.

Kevin Wadsworth
Editor's Note: The above letter was sent to Florida Governor Lawton Chiles

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Domestic partners clears first hurdle

by Marghe Covino
MGW/Staff

MGW/Charles Finlay
Assemblymember Barbara Lee (D-Oakland) heard testimony on AB 2810, a bill to provide statewide recognition of domestic partnerships. Lee has also been approached by ACT UP's Jim West who is seeking answers to the "abrupt dismissal" of Assemblymember John Burton (D-SF) from the Public Safety Committee.

The small room of the Assembly Judiciary Committee in the state Capitol was packed with Bible-bearing Traditional Values Coalition evangelicals at the hearing for the Domestic Partner Registration Bill (AB2810) Apr. 13.

Also in attendance were senior citizens, health care providers, gays and lesbians from throughout the state, Capitol staffers, the press and other onlookers.

The bill passed out of committee with a unanimous 8-0 vote. Later, committee member Bill Morrow, R-Orange County, recorded a no vote. (Members are allowed to go on the record by voting after a matter is decided—it is pro forma, as their votes cannot affect the outcome after the fact.) The bill will have to go to Assembly Ways and Means before it hits the Assembly floor.

LIFE Lobby Executive Director, Laurie McBride, believes she has the votes to get the bill to the Senate by the end of June. "We have to get it to the Governor's desk by September," she said.

If the bill passes the Assembly it will then have to repeat a similar journey through a policy committee, a fiscal committee and the floor in the Senate and if amendments have been made the bill will have to go back to the floor of the Assembly for final confirmation.

Opponents of the bill want gays, lesbians and others who don't meet specific moral standards excluded because their participation in domestic partners relationships would somehow "reduce" marriage and would ensure the downfall of civilization. Yet they agreed that the committee could vote to "do something" for senior citizens who "need compassion and need to be taken care of." "Seniors were very concerned about anyone, especially gays, being cut out of the bill's provisions," McBride said.▼

Assemblymember Burton ousted

by Marghe Covino
MGW/Staff

ACT UP's Jim West is upset over reports that Assemblymember John Burton, D-San Francisco, was removed from the powerful Assembly Public Safety Committee by Speaker Willie Brown. The Public Safety Committee hears proposed bills, like the Three Strikes bills, prison reform and AIDS in prison bills.

According to West, there are a number of regressive AIDS bills which are coming before the committee and Burton, a trusted guardian of human rights, is gone.

"There are other issues too," according to West, "prisoners with AIDS are virtually being murdered. We have reports that some people scream in their cells all night with no help and no medications and are dragged out in the morning dead - in front of the other prisoners - who know that's the way they're going to die also. Burton would not allow that kind of thing to continue. We've been trying desperately to forge some links with Barbara Lee, D-Oakland, but we can't seem to get anywhere."

Reportedly, Burton was named as Chair of the Rules Committee in 1993; because Assembly regulations dictate that members may not chair more than one committee, he was required to turn the Chair over to Orange County democratic conservative, Bob Epple. (Readers may remember that during the AB 101 battle, Epple was one of the legislators who recanted his aye vote for the bill after his pastor allegedly locked the doors to the church while Epple and his family were inside and delivered a blistering sermon on the evils of homosexuality, refusing to open the doors until Epple caved and agreed to change his vote.)

According to insiders, Burton continued to run the committee from behind the scenes and committee staff continued to report to him rather than to the new Chair which reportedly irritated Epple. When Burton continued to exert his not inconsiderable influence on the Three Strikes legislation, Epple allegedly delivered an ultimatum to Brown—because of the pressure he was getting as the target for Burton's actions—telling him that unless he removed Burton from the committee that Epple would resign as Chair and publicly denounce

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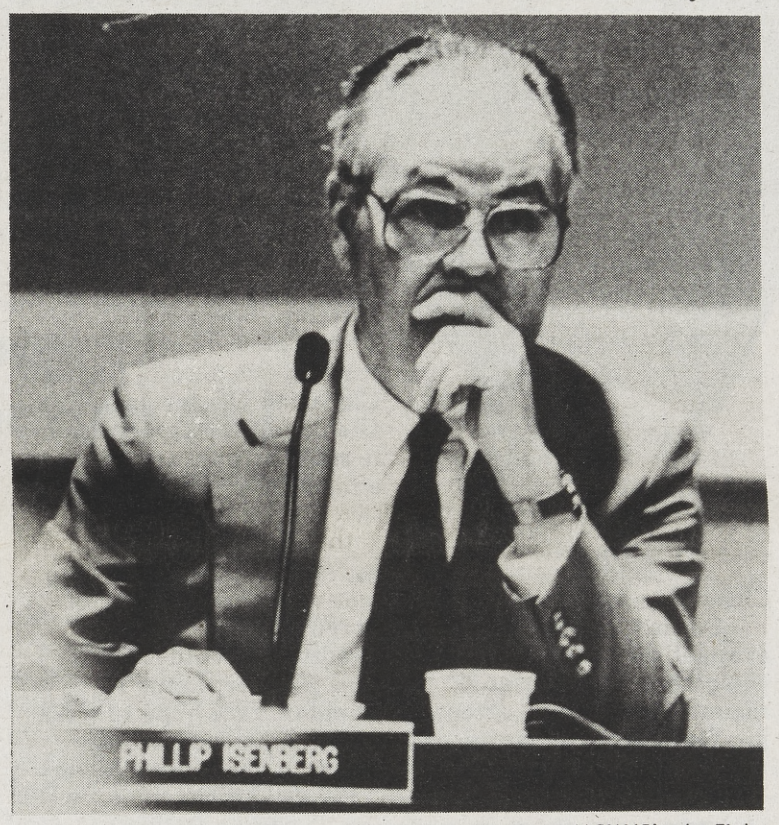

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Assembly Judiciary Committee Chairman Phillip Isenberg (D-Sacramento) oversaw a unanimous 8-0 vote on the Domestic Partner Registration Bill (AB 2810). Isenberg was reportedly appointed to the Assembly Public Safety Commitee following the ouster of Assemblymember John Burton (D-SF).

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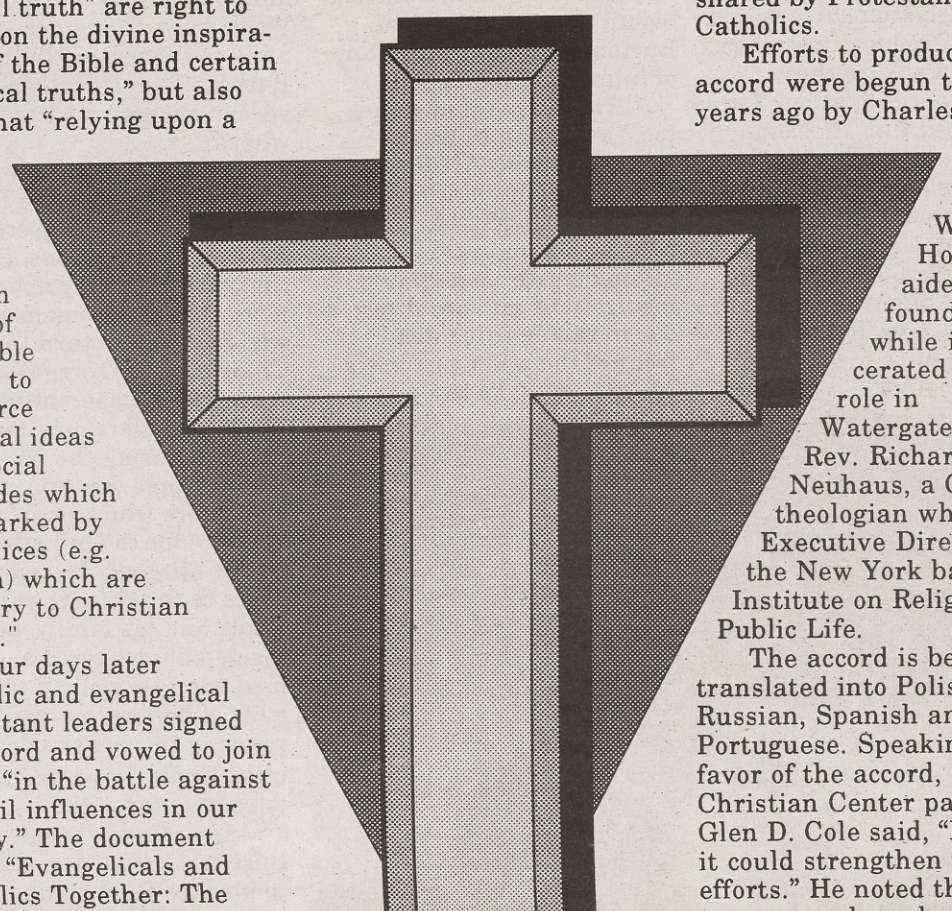
Catholics, Fundamentalists find new accord

By Marghe Covino
MGW/Staff

In an odd juxtaposition, several recent events dealing with Vatican relations with other religious groups have occurred. In the first instance, the Vatican issued a 130-page publication which reinforces the study of the Bible from a literary and historical perspective as long as scholars don't lose sight of the Bible as a "document of faith and God's word."

On the one hand, it says fundamentalists who take the word of the Bible as "literal truth" are right to insist on the divine inspiration of the Bible and certain "Biblical truths," but also said that "relying upon a non-critical reading of certain texts of the Bible serves to reinforce political ideas and social attitudes which are marked by prejudices (e.g. racism) which are contrary to Christian gospel."

Four days later Catholic and evangelical Protestant leaders signed an accord and vowed to join forces "in the battle against the evil influences in our society." The document called "Evangelicals and Catholics Together: The Christian Mission in the Third Millennium," states that "as evangelicals and Catholics, we dare not, by needless and loveless conflict between ourselves, give aid and comfort to the enemies of the cause of Christ."



Catholics and evangelicals alike praised the accord seeing it as a means of creating a stronger force against "sinful trends prevalent in modern America." Others saw it as an affirmation of the fundamental belief in Christ shared by Protestants and Catholics.

Efforts to produce the accord were begun two years ago by Charles Colson, former Nixon White House aide who found God while incarcerated for his role in Watergate and Rev. Richard John Neuhaus, a Catholic theologian who is Executive Director of the New York based Institute on Religion and Public Life.

The accord is being translated into Polish, Russian, Spanish and Portuguese. Speaking in favor of the accord, Capital Christian Center pastor, Glen D. Cole said, "I think it could strengthen the efforts." He noted that the two groups have become more cooperative in past years. The agreement also met with the approval of Steve Sheldon, son of Traditional Values Coalition founder, Louis P. Sheldon. "We hope to work together to further our common goals, we are very excited about the programs we can accomplish together."

Among those signing the document were Pat Robertson and Dr. Richard Land and Dr. Larry Lewis, both officials of the Southern Baptist Convention, the largest Protestant denomination in the United States. A Methodist minister who supports the accord said, "I think its about time we work together, particularly against those evil influences in our society."

Christian Coalition Executive Director Ralph Reed stated in an August, 1992 article "Yes, a single vote can make a difference, and when combined with the votes of other Christians, we can elect anyone—from President to a member of a local school board." He continued, "It is no exaggeration to state that evangelicals and pro-family Catholic voters can elect anyone to any office at any level of government if they are united and turn out in large numbers at the polls."

According to the New York Times, "[This] effort [is] rooted in practical alliances in the United States between evangelical and Catholic groups opposed to abortion, sexual permissiveness in the media or school programs intended to promote tolerance of homosexuality as an alternative life-style."

This article was prepared with the assistance of Jerry Sloan of Project Tocsin.▼

UNDER THE LAW

Part II

The Swedish model

By Eileen S. Gillis
MGW/Staff

Recent amendments to Swedish marriage law provides us with a model to guide our own efforts to protect homosexual and lesbian cohabitant rights.

In Sweden, the courts first judge the unmarried relationship as a whole before qualifying the partners as *sambor,* or, in other words, deserving of legal economic protections in the event of dissolution. The indica used by the courts to make this judgment include the raising of children, the length of cohabitation, the sharing of housekeeping tasks, and maintenance of a regular sexual relationship.

The downside of Swedish law is that only property rights acquired between cohabitants are protected and only those property items acquired with the intent that they be for mutual use are included. Thus, the legislation protects far less property than is protected by the Swedish Marriage Code and adds the requirement that the parties live together.

Unlike marriage, a *sambor* acquires no rights to either the income of the other or alimony. The legislation also does not take into account the partner's non-monetary contribution and labor, which should, on fairness grounds, vest the other partner with an interest in all property, salary, and pensions acquired during the relationship.

But, the upside of the reformed Swedish law is that, when a relationship ends, either through death or separation, a judicial process becomes available to unmarried couples for division of property. A *sambor* couple may exempt themselves from coverage under these Swedish laws only by written contract.

Eileen Sandra Gillis is an Associate Attorney at Metrailer & Langenkamp, practicing in the area of family law and domestic partnerships.▼

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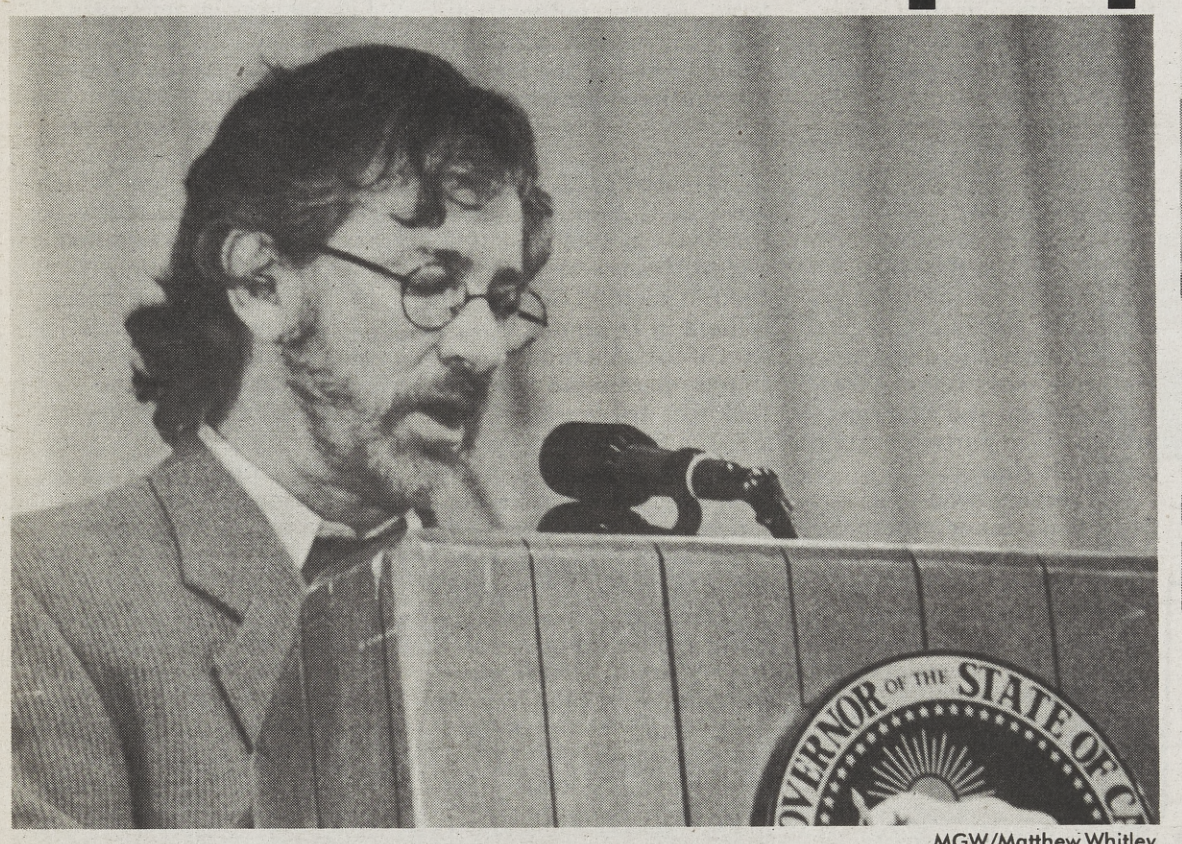
Schindler's List project proposed



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Filmmaker Steven Spielberg addressed the student body of Castlemont High School in Oakland Apr. 11. Spielberg, along with Governor Wilson, launched the statewide *Schindler's List* project that would provide 16,000 students weekly screenings of the academy award-winning film. The project's purpose is to provide a vehicle to help students understand the potential evil of prejudice and hatred. It is intended as a springboard to teach the lessons of racial, religious and ethnic tolerance.

MGW/Matthew Whitley

Castlemont High School students protested Spielberg and Wilson's appearance. A number of students felt the *Schindler's List* project, which focuses on the Jewish Holocaust during World War II, overlooks the African-American Holocaust of slavery and civil and human rights infringements.

Studds & Frank to introduce employment nondiscrimination bill

Representatives Barney Frank (D-MA) and Gerry Studds (D-MA) will introduce federal legislation to outlaw anti-gay discrimination in the workplace this month.

"The right to be secure in one's livelihood is a bedrock principle with which every American can identify," said Congressman Studds. "Millions came to these shores in search of opportunity-the opportunity to build a decent life through their own hard work and ingenuity. I believe that when our fellow Americans learn how frequently lesbians and gay men are denied that basic promise of the American dream, they will agree that something must be done."

"I believe the time has come for Congress to put into law a very simple principle: individuals have a right to be evaluated in the workplace based on the quality and quantity of work they do, and not be disadvantaged because someone doesn't like what they do in their private lives," said Congressman Frank. "Discriminating against honest, hard working people because they are gay or lesbian makes no sense morally, socially or economically. I believe the American people will support appropriately drafted legislation that embodies this principle."

The strategy for this bill includes Congressional hearings on job discrimination against people based on sexual orientation that could take place within the next two months. Each year since 1974, a Gay and Lesbian Civil Rights Bill has been introduced, but each time died in committee.▼

NEWS CLIPS

In a New Light returns to ABC

The producers of ABC Television's *In a New Light* are beginning production on "*In a New Light '94*," the third annual AIDS outreach and entertainment special on ABC.

The host is Barbara Walters, and guests are Bill Cosby, Rosie Perez, Chaka Kahn, Kathy Mattea, Lou Reed, Savion Glover and the Cast of Stomp, Debbie Harry, Lauren Hutton, Toukie Smith and Veronica Webb.

The show airs on July 9, and will also encourage viewers to call a special AIDS hotline number set up by the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention. Last year over 100,000 viewers called the hotline number, and AIDS organizations across the country reported a significant increase in calls.

As part of this national call-to-action, a series of "viewing parties" around the country will be set up for young people to get together on a Saturday night and watch an entertaining, informative and thoroughly thought-provoking program about HIV and AIDS.

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UNITY '94

SAGA helps local athletes compete in New York

By Dorothea Rynearson
MGW/Staff

On June 18, 1994, in a New York City stadium, approximately 65 Sacramentans will join thousands of other athletes hoping for a chance at the gold. Their colors--red,white, and blue. Their name--Team Sacramento. The event--Gay Games IV & Cultural Festival, *Unity '94.*

Since 1980, the Sacramento Arts and Games Association (SAGA) has been helping Sacramento-area gay and lesbian athletes compete in the Games. In 1990, it helped send nearly 175 athletes to Vancouver. Those athletes, in turn, brought home nearly 100 medals. This year, SAGA hopes to send nearly 65 athletes to New York to compete in the billiards, bowling, cycling, golf, ice skating, marathon, swimming, tennis, track, triathlon, and women's softball events.

"SAGA was formed to help facilitate people getting to the Games," says Tom Lane, president of SAGA. "Membership in SAGA gives our athletes a chance to practice their sport, as well as an opportunity to offset the cost involved in participating in the Games."

The non-profit group, which relies heavily on fund raisers and tax-deductible donations, is completely volunteer run. Seven board members oversee the Association's activities, including the coordination of fund raisers and the distribution of funds, as well as ensuring that SAGA adheres to its three-fold mission of promoting, assisting and informing all those with the desire to attend the Games; encouraging wholeness and wellness in mind and body through active participation; and providing a forum for gays, lesbians, and their supporters to interact with the community in such a way as to present a united, positive image of alliance.

For a $25 annual fee, "mandatory only in the year of the Games," says Lane, members receive a newsletter, as well as discounted team uniforms. Excess funds are also used to help offset each participants' cost to participate in the Games.

The average cost for an athlete to compete in *Unity '94* is approximately $1,700, including registration fees, uniforms, airfare, and accommodations during the week-long event.

According to Lane, membership in SAGA is open to everyone, regardless of athletic ability. "Our goal is camaraderie and sportsmanship," says Lane. "We want anyone and everyone interested in participating to have that chance."

"Everyone who participates is a winner, whether they come home with a medal or not," adds Lane. "They're a winner just by being there, by representing Sacramento, for representing the community."

Lane is no stranger to winning. In 1990, he competed in Vancouver in the team bowling event and helped bring home a bronze. This year, he plans to compete in the singles, doubles, and mixed team bowling events.

"Walking out into the stadium for the opening ceremonies was an exhilarating experience," says Lane. "I felt like Mark Spitz, a true Olympian."

Nearly half a million spectators and 15,000 athletes are expected to attend this year's event, which is being touted at the largest international athletic and cultural event ever held.

Sacramento has been represented at all three previous Games, held in San Francisco in 1982 and 1986, and in Vancouver, B.C., in 1990. The 1998 Games will be held in Denmark. As part of SAGA's fund raising efforts, discounted travel packages are available through Sports Leisure Travel, with rates running from $744 for airfare and accommodations, based on quadruple occupancy, to $2500 for airfare and single occupancy deluxe accommodations, for a 9 night stay in the Big Apple. Three percent of all revenues from the package tours will be donated to SAGA.

"Sports Leisure Travel has some great packages," says Lane. "Anyone interested in seeing the Games should join us."

In addition, SAGA is selling Team Sacramento lapel pins. The pins, which feature an outline of the state of California against a pink inverted triangle background and the words "Team Sacramento 1994" centered across the state, sell for $5 each. In the tradition of the Olympics, spectators and athletes alike bring quantities of their team's pins to trade for others from teams around the globe.

For more information on SAGA, or to order a Team Sacramento pin, contact: Tom Lane, President, SAGA, c/o 11184 Kings River Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, 635-1535.▼

LOCAL NEWS

Gay BBS to file complaint

By Marghe Covino
MGW/Staff

Charges and countercharges are flying between Systems Operators (Sysops) of gay/bi/lesbian computer bulletin boards and the monthly throwaway, California Computer News.

Computer software writer and Co-Sysop of Acropolis, Robert Bequette is alleging CCN Editor-In-Chief, Michelle Gamble-Risley, discriminates against gay and gay friendly bulletin boards because she refuses to include them in the magazine's listings.

In a letter to Bequette, Gamble-Risley claims "CCN has a standing policy that we are a family-oriented magazine and we do not run sexually-oriented BBS listings." Bequette protested her designation of the gay BBSs as "adult." He says, "We agree that there should be concern about listing adult oriented BBSs in a magazine which can be read by children. However, we are not running an adult oriented BBS. We have a disclaimer and requirement for only 18 year olds and older on our board because we "want to keep teenagers off the system as some tend to be very mean-spirited towards people different than themselves." "However," Bequette says, "I don't see what that has to do with not listing gay and lesbian BBS systems. These systems are not automatically "adult" oriented. In fact we are systems devoted to discussions of political and social issues of interest to the gay and lesbian community."

The Sysop says that in the spirit of cooperation he would be willing to entertain suggestions from the editor on suitable synonyms to the words "gay" and "lesbian" she would be willing to print. Bequette finds Gamble-Risley's attitude unbending and suspects she has a discriminatory agenda. He says, "From the time CCN began publishing, Acropolis, A.W.O.L. and Parthenon bulletin boards were listed in the magazine. When Gamble-Risley came on board about three years ago we were dropped. We thought about protesting at that time but put it on a

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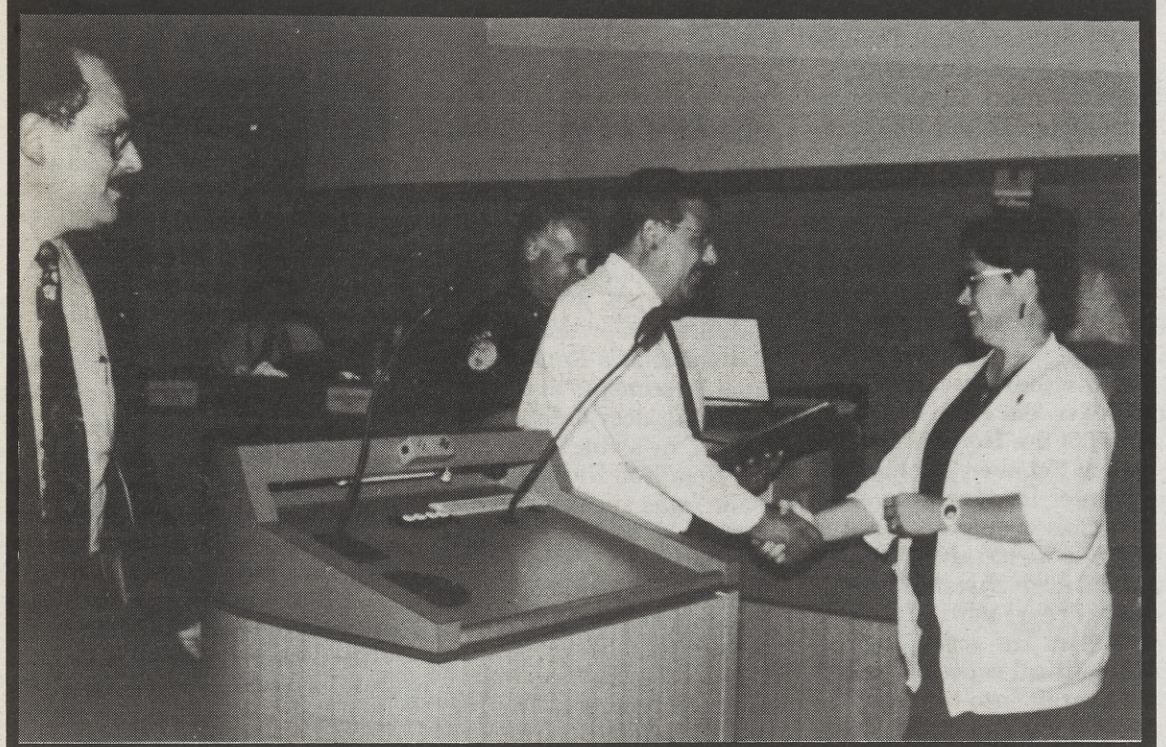

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Sacramento Police Chief Art Venegas and Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. congratulate MGW Newspaper Publisher and Editor-in-Chief Linda Birner on her successful completion of the first Sacramento Police Department Citizen's Police Academy. Participants are sensitized to police procedures and actions while in turn sensitizing police to the needs of the community.

Burton: 'the hammer fell'

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the soft-on-crime, politically correct San Francisco agenda.

Insiders say Brown asked Burton to resign and Burton refused whereupon, as one staffer put it, "the hammer fell — you just don't fuck that way with Willie." Burton's replacement was announced on the Assembly floor in "a very unceremonious process."

"Willie announced it, said Phil Isenberg was appointed to the committee, signed some papers and that was it," the staffer said. Burton's replacement, Isenberg, a Democrat from Sacramento is a well-respected legislator with an excellent human rights record.▼

UNDER THE DOME

RCDC endorsements announced

MGW/Charles Finlay

Candidates for Sacramento City Council Bruce Pomer and Steve Cohn gave presentations to RCDC. Pomer won the club's endorsement.

Members of the River City Democratic Club unanimously endorsed Heather Fargo and Deborah Ortiz for Sacramento City Council, Roger Dickinson and Illa Collin for Sacramento County Board of Supervisors (all uncontested in their primaries), and Measure T crime reduction advisory vote. Tony Miller won endorsement for Secretary of State.

Kay Albiani received endorsement for County Board, District 5 (Elk Grove area). Steve Cohn and Bruce Pomer, both running for Sacramento City Council, District 3, each gave presentations. Pomer won the club's endorsement.

RCDC's second round of pre-primary endorsements takes place Monday, May 16 at 6:30 pm at the YWCA, 17th and L streets.▼

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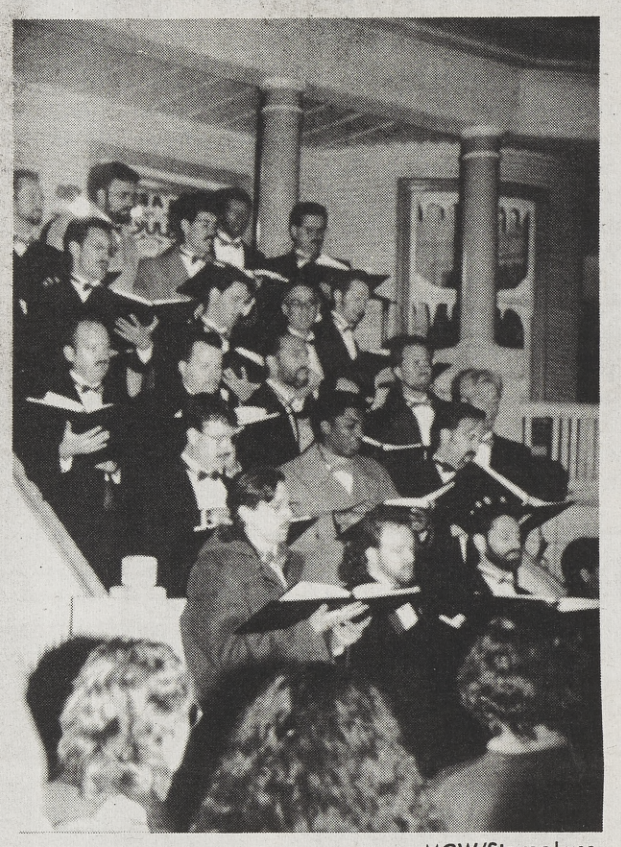
Camp receives financial help

Camp Sister Spirit, the women's conference center being constructed by Brenda and Wanda Henson in Ovett, Mississippi, and under attack from local right-wing religious groups, are about to receive financial help from author Victoria Starr.

Starr, whose writings have appeared in Billboard, Village Voice, and OUT magazine, and Rebecca OBryan, owner of Music for the Masses, a mail-order music company, have joined forces to raise money by marketing autographed copies of Starr's new book *All You Get Is Me,* a biography of singer k.d. lang. Ten dollars of each sale will be donated to CSS. Info: Music for the Masses, 408/236-2224. ▼

Help SMC raise their voices

The Sacramento Men's Chorus is seeking donated items for its May Garage Sale Fundraiser.

In addition, SMC is urgently seeking sponsors for the June 10 Pride & Diversity Concert and a silent auction on

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July 20. Businesses, couples and individuals are invited to make a tax-deductible donation of $100 or more for the Pride & Diversity Concert and/or $100 or more sponsorships for the silent auction to be held at the reception hall at Vizcaya on 21st St. in Sacramento.

You may also participate through membership to the SMC Director's Circle starting at $25.

Info: 444-5213.▼

Harry S. Truman Club dinner

The 13th annual Truman Club dinner will be held Thursday, May 19 at the Sacramento Hilton Hotel at 6 p.m.

The theme for the dinner is "Democrats Building the Future!" Featured speaker will be State Senator Robert Presley, currently running for the State Board of Equalization.

This year's recipient of the "Give 'em Hell, Harry" award is the Honorable Gordon Schaber. Schaber continues to work promoting the ideals of the Democratic Party as he has over the last three decades, including several years as HSTC president. His social, legal and political contributions to the Sacramento community are without equal. Schaber took McGeorge School of Law from a small second-floor law school and expanded it to a 21-acre campus. Schaber was presiding judge in the Sacramento Superior Court and continues to serve on many commissions and charity boards. He was also named this year's "Man of the Year" by the Sacramento Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce. Info: 924-6774. ▼

Exposing discrimination

NGLTF, the Human Rights Campaign Fund and other groups are looking for individuals who have experienced discrimination in employment based on their sexual orientation. The cases should clearly illustrate the negative impact of anti-gay discrimination in the workplace and provide compelling arguments for Federal protection from discrimination.

Individuals would need to be comfortable with and perform well under substantial national media exposure. Contact David Smith, NGLTF Director of Public Information, 202/332-6483, ext. 3309. ▼

Gunderson 'outed'

The floor of the U.S. House of Representatives erupted into pandemonium recently when a right-wing California representative claimed that a Republican from Wisconsin "has a revolving door on his closet-he's in, he's out."

Rep. Bob Dornan (R-Calif.) was speaking in support of an amendment to prohibit federal education funds for gay support programs when he motioned toward Rep. Steve Gunderson (R-Wis.) and made the remark. To illustrate his point, Dornan noted that Gunderson recently spoke to a gay political dinner but that, on the House floor recently, Gunderson said that he hopes no one in America supports a school course promoting homosexuality.

The proceedings were being broadcast live on C-SPAN television. As soon as Dornan made his remarks, loud voices could be heard off camera and, within moments, House leaders stopped the debate and conferred off camera with the House parliamentarian.

When the proceedings resumed, Dornan asked that his remarks be "withdrawn." His motion was recognized as granted by the presiding chair.

The incident prompted Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), who is openly gay, to identify it as one of the reasons support programs for gay youth are needed in schools. Frank said that the programs help prevent youths from being subjected to the kinds of attacks Dornan "sought to subject another member to on the floor."

In an interview, Frank said the voices heard off camera on C-SPAN came from Republican and Democratic House members who expressed "disgust" with Dornan's remarks.

"Some of them shouted 'Stop,'" said Frank; others, including Rep. William Goodling (R-Pa.),-the ranking minority member of the House committee for the bill-urged Dornan to withdraw his remarks about Gunderson's sexual orientation. If he did not withdraw his remarks, both Democratic and Republican House members said they would seek a parliamentary move to silence Donan for the remainder of the day. Dornan agreed to the request. Gunderson did not respond to Dornan's remarks on the floor. Kevin Kennedy, Gunderson's press spokesperson, said Gunderson would have not comment on the incident.

Gunderson has never identified himself as gay. The dinner to which Dornan was referring was one hosted by the Human Rights Campaign Fund, a national gay political group, in Baltimore on march 12. In that speech, Gunderson referred to "Rob and I" sharing a beach house with friends. He also made references to "our two dogs" and "our porch." He spoke about press inquiries about his sexual orientation three years ago as "having been outed."

"My professional accomplishments," said Gunderson, stood to become totally irrelevant next to the single question of whether or not I was gay." ▼

—Washington Blade

Miller and Golden Brands to receive award

Miller Brewing Co. and Golden Brands Bottling-its distributor in San Francisco-have been selected to receive a Cable Car Award for their service to the gay and lesbian community in that area.

This is the 20th anniversary of the Cable Car Awards, which are presented each year to corporations and individuals who have demonstrated support for gay and lesbian concerns.

The award going to the brewer and its distributor is in recognition of their fund-raising efforts for the AIDS

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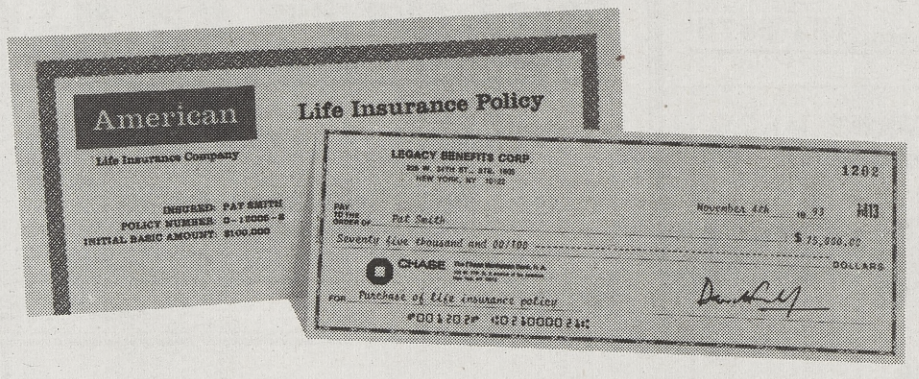

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PeaceWorks: alternatives to violence

Young people from all over California descended on the Sacramento Capitol Plaza Holiday Inn, Apr. 13-15th, and spoke for themselves, offering peaceful solutions to the problems of violence facing their generation and their communities.

Participants communicated their ideas and solutions to the problems of youth through presentations, drama and statements of commitment. The teenagers, who work for or are clients of youth-serving agencies throughout the state (clinics, runaway shelters, hotlines, etc.) gathered to attend PeaceWorks, the annual conference of the California Child, Youth and Family Coalition (CCYFC).

Some of the issues addressed ranged from drugs to family violence, from lesbian, gay, bisexual and HIV issues to racism. Info: CCYFC, 2424 Castro Way, Sacramento, 739-6912.▼

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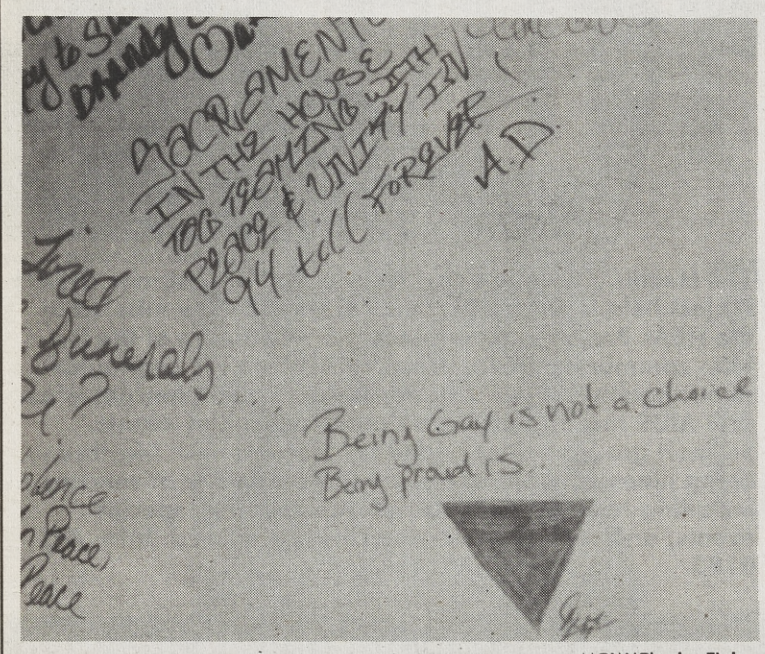

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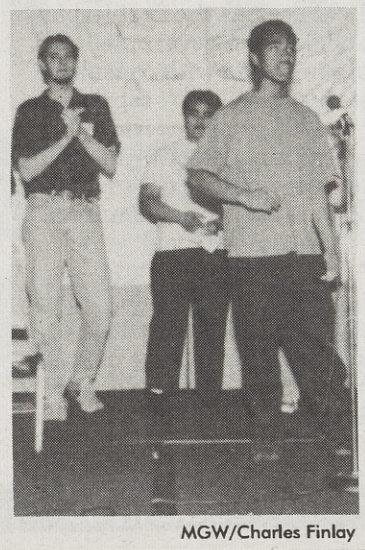

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Emergency Fund through a program called Rainbows for Relief. This program, initiated by Miller and strongly supported in San Francisco by Golden Brands Bottling, allows beer drinkers of legal drinking age to purchase paper rainbows for $1. The program has raised approximately $90,000 for the AIDS Emergency Fund since it began in 1991; a total which includes the yearly "kick-off" contribution of $10,000 made by Miller and participating distributors.

Creating Change scholarships

The 7th annual NGLTF Creating Change skills building conference will be held Nov. 11-13, 1994 at the Southland Center Hotel in Dallas, Texas. Pre-conference institutes will be held prior to the body of the conference on Nov. 9 and 10. Limited scholarship funds will be available. Info: send a #10 SASE to Creating Change conference, NGLTF, 1734 14th Street N.W., Washington, DC 20009, or contact the Dallas host committee, Deb Elders, Dallas Gay & Lesbian Alliance, 214/528-4233.

GAO study

The Government Accounting Office (GAO) is studying the problems gays, lesbians and bisexuals have had getting security clearances with the U.S. government. The office will present its findings to Congress.

If you or anyone you know would like to help document any harassment or inappropriate questions that have been a part of security clearance investigations, contact Elizabeth Mead at GAO, 441 G. Street N.W., Room 5100, Washington, DC 20548, tel 202/512-3945.

College declares anti-gay policy

The Universidad Inernacional de las Americas (UIA) in Costa Rica has an open policy of expelling gay and lesbian students. A local AIDS organization pressed the Ministry of Education to force the UIA to alter its policy. While the Ministry has acknowledged the policy is unconstitutional (because it blocks a student's access to education and is contrary to the equal protection clause), the Ministry has said it cannot require a policy change unless actual plaintiffs step forward in a lawsuit. Advocates argue that few or no students will be willing to face the public censure and discrimination that coming out will entail.

Urge the Ministry of Education to ensure that all universities in Costa Rica operate in accordance with

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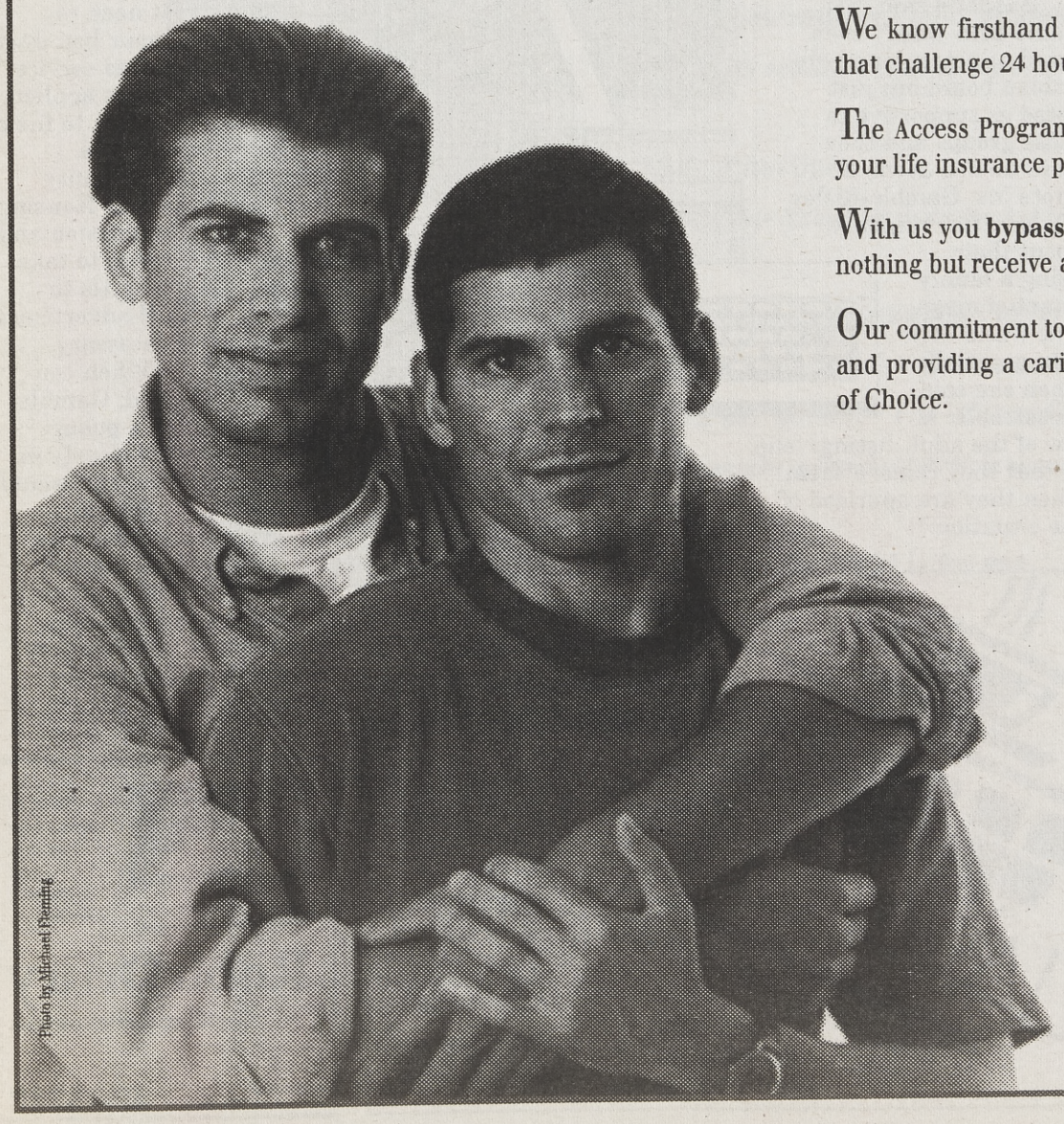

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IGTA gets new look

The International Gay Travel Association, the largest group promoting gay/lesbian travel worldwide, moves into the new year with a "new look" and expanded efforts to serve travelers.

"We have seen tremendous growth in the past year and look forward to gaining new members and meeting the needs of the gay and lesbian traveler no matter where they live nor what travel destination they want to reach, " said Kevin Kailey of Above and Beyond Travel in San Francisco and IGTA president.

IGTA is an 11-year-old organization composed of travel agents, accommodations, tour operators, organizations and others—all of whom are serving gay and lesbian travelers worldwide. Membership has grown considerably in the past year, increasing from 516 members a year ago to a current roster of 735. Increased involvement also has been seen with major international carriers.

A new logo has been adopted by the organization to give it a more contemporary look and printed materials dealing with membership and marketing have been redesigned and offer new information.

An all-new color brochure, highlighting the goals of IGTA and its benefits for members and consumers, also is now available. It will be used as part of an expanded effort to reach the general travel public.

IGTA plans to increase its participation in special gay/lesbian trade shows and expos around the world to reach not only businesses dealing with travel, but consumers whom IGTA hopes will use IGTA members who are knowledgeable about gay travel.

In order to up-date their own knowledge of gay travel destinations, IGTA members four times a year visit communities on familiarization trips. In the past year, the organization has toured West Hollywood, San Antonio, Toronto and Las Vegas. The llth annual convention will be held in Washington D.C. on May 11-15 and a summer FAM trip is planned for Chicago with others scheduled for Seattle and New Orleans.

IGTA's administrative office is headquartered in Key West at Impressions Unlimited, which also serves as the promotional/advertising agency for the organization.

IGTA officers come from all parts of the county. In addition to president Kailey, officers are Secretary Tracy Michaels of SkyLinkWomen's Travel of Santa Monica, CA and Treasurer Richard Gray, owner of The Royal Palms Guesthouse in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

Other members of the board include: David Alport of Out & About, New Haven, CT; Andy Amoroso of Festive Tours and Travel, Lake Worth, FL; Rob Appel of Appel Management Services, Los Angeles, CA; Dan Howell of Victoria Travel, Cincinnati, OH; Bob Goldfarb of City Bound, San Diego, CA; Steve Jackson of Pride Tours, Floral Park, NY; and Chris Winkle of Undersea Expeditions, Inc., Pacific Beach, CA. Info: Box 4974, Key West, FL 33041, 800-448-8550.▼

ILGA conference

In June, coinciding with the Gay Games and Stonewall 25, the International Lesbian & Gay Association (ILGA) will have its 16th Annual World Conference. ILGA, which in 1993 became the first lesbian and gay non-governmental organization with consultive status at the U.N. represents over 300 groups world-wide whose aims are affirming the human rights of the global lesbian and gay community.

16th Annual ILGA World Conference

Topics will deal with AIDS, Lesbian Visibility, Regional Activism and many more and the conference will kick off by marching in front of the U.N. Info: ILGA, 208 W. 13th St., NY 10011, 212-620-7310.▼

LOCAL NEWS

Dance and H.E.A.L. thyself

MGW/Charles Finlay

The Health, Education and Awareness for Lesbians (HEAL) Project held a fundraising dance Apr. 15. The mission of the HEAL Project is to enhance the well-being of the lesbian community. HEAL strives to educate the community about health issues including cancer prevention/detection and AIDS through direct, outreach education events. Support groups are provided for lesbians with life-threatening illnesses; volunteers provide a number of services including hospital visits; brochures, lectures, special events, and care-provider services are offered. Info: 442-0185.

LOCAL NEWS

BBS: 'the policy is not about me personally...'

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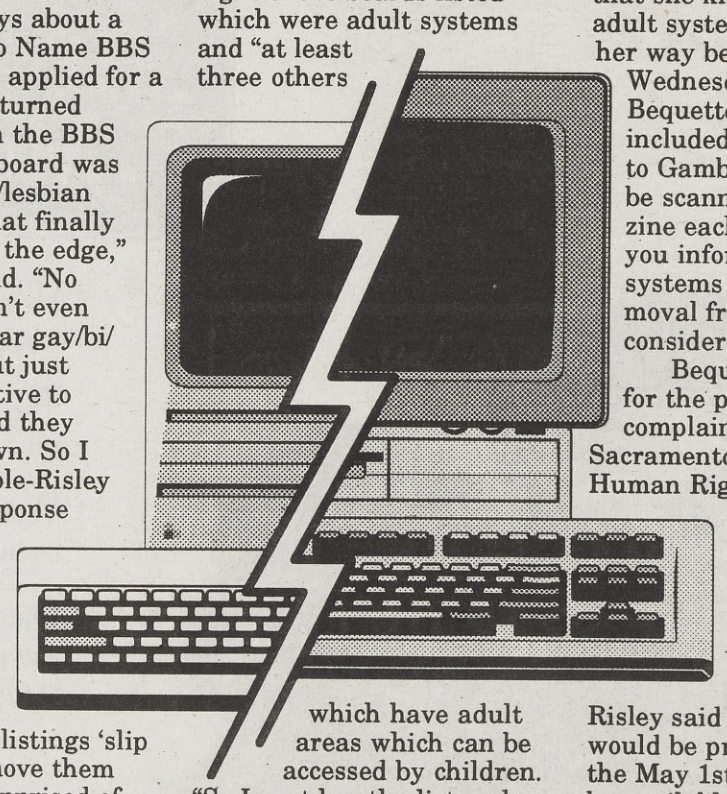
back burner."

Bequette says about a week ago the No Name BBS in Pollock Pines applied for a listing and was turned down because in the BBS description the board was listed as "gay/bi/lesbian supportive." "That finally pushed me over the edge," Bequette said. "No Name BBS wasn't even listed as a regular gay/bi/lesbian board but just listed as supportive to those groups and they were turned down. So I wrote Ms. Gamble-Risley a letter. Her response about their being a family oriented magazine was a little thin especially when she said occasionally a few of the adult listings 'slip by' but they remove them when they are apprised of the situation."

Bequette said he counted eight of the boards listed which were adult systems and "at least three others which have adult areas which can be accessed by children. "So I sent her the list and told her that I will expect to see those BBSs removed now that she knows they are adult systems. I sent them to her way before the second Wednesday deadline," Bequette said. He then included in a second letter to Gamble-Risley, "I will be scanning your magazine each month to keep you informed of the systems that need removal from your list. Just consider it a free service."



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When contacted, Gamble-Risley said CCN's policy would be printed clearly in the May 1st issue and would be available by fax for a preview in late April. She would make no comment regarding any of Bequette's allegations and said only, "the policy is not about me personally but about our magazine."▼

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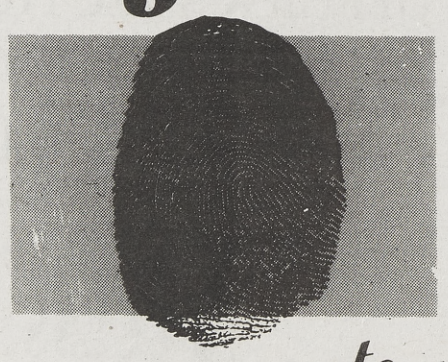

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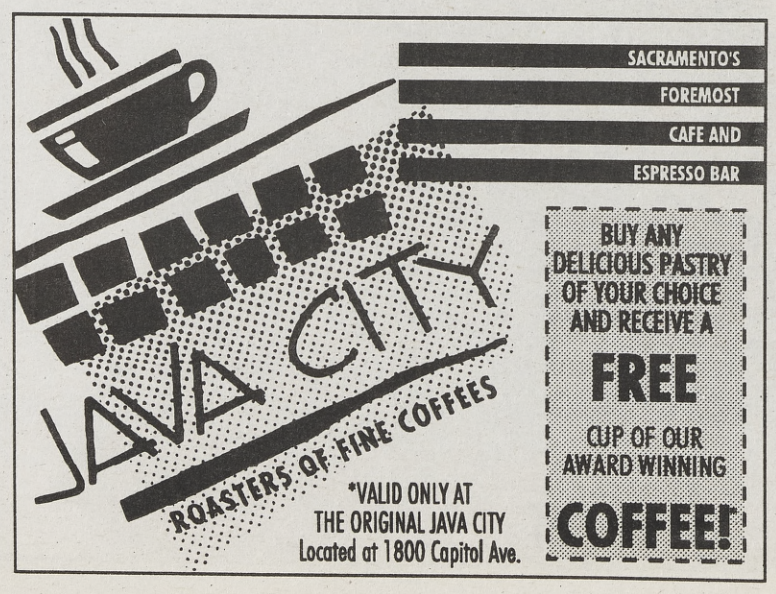

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UNITY '94

Sacramento team hopes for medal

By Dorothea Rynearson
MGW/Staff

This June, a team of Sacramento women will take to the field in front of a crowd of thousands. Their goal: to try to bring home a medal from Gay Games IV, *Unity '94.*

MGW/Dorothea Rynearson

Gay Games veteran and team coordinator Margaret Schubert knocks one into left field in preparation for Gay Games IV, June 18-25, in New York City.

Formed a year ago, the Sacramento Capitals, under the watchful eyes of team coordinator, Margaret Schubert, has been practicing and playing steadily to achieve that goal. Currently they play on Sundays in the Grapefruit League, and on Thursday evenings in the Women's C Division of the Spring Softball League at the Sacramento Complex off Watt and 80.

Schubert, a veteran of the Games, attended the 1990 Games in Vancouver. That year she played soccer. And that year, her team missed a medal by one goal.

"But," explains Schubert, "there really is no difference between champions and winners. Only a medal. It's more important to be true to yourself and to your team. Then you're a winner, regardless of whether you walk away with the gold."

Schubert, a self described softball nut, has been playing the game for approximately 16 of her 28 years. A graduate student, she is working towards her master's in counseling and hopes to one day teach at junior college as well as counsel adolescents and women in transition, "people who have been so socialized and indoctrinated that they've lost their sense of self."

"The 1990 Games were a real turning point in my coming out process," says Schubert. "It was my first real experience as a lesbian in a healthy, supportive environment. Walking into the stadium during the opening ceremonies with thousands of other gay and lesbian athletes, and to see and hear so many thousands of spectators cheering for us was such a validating experience."

As for this June, "we want to come home with a medal," smiles Schubert. "The Sacramento Capitals are a very strong team. I guess it will all depend on how we come together. All we can do is hope it falls into the right place at the right time."

For this aspiring team, let's hope it does.▼

LOCAL NEWS

Garden to sprout for persons with AIDS

Carol Vander Ende Smith
Guest Writer

Fresh, organically grown vegetables will soon be on the plates of people with AIDS, announced Thomas Vasques from Positive Gourmet Food Services. The land use for the new project has been donated by Dennis Buscher of Elk Grove. Eventually 2 1/2 acres could be planted; for now Vasques plans to start with 1/2 acre.

For the past three years, Vasques and volunteers have been providing meals for Hope House. Plans are in the works to expand the service to provide hot meals on wheels to patients too weak to prepare their own food. A "Brown Bag" food closet has been under way for several months.

"I see the garden as not only a way of providing fresh vegetables," says Vasques, "but as a kind of spiritual oasis. We hope to have volunteers and PWAs alike working the soil...coming together...rejoicing in Mother Earth." Part of the garden will be devoted to growing herbs, the rest to gourmet lettuces such as rodicchio, plump, ripe tomatoes, artichokes, various squash, and other vegetables. Vasques is hoping someone with gardening expertise-and perhaps even a nursery-will come forward to spearhead the effort and organize the volunteers.

Volunteers are needed to answer phones, do office work and deliver food. It is estimated that there are close to 7,000 PWAs now in the Sacramento area. Info: Thomas Vasques, 851-9850.

Carol Vander Ende Smith is a former columnist for the San Francisco Examiner and producer for KQED-TV, San Francisco▼

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By Al Kielwasser
GLAAD/SFBA

Counting 'pricks' for Congress

The American Family Association's Director of Governmental Affairs, Patrick Trueman, has sent a letter to every member of the U.S. Congress asking them to withhold funding from public television programs that show "homosexuals kissing in bed." Along with the letter, the AFA sent a twelve-minute video featuring excerpts from the recent Public Broadcasting System (PBS) presentation of *Tales of the City*.

"The enclosed envelope contains pictures from the production and a summary of the profanity," the letter states. A detailed chart included in the AFA package counts each time various phrases were used in Tales. For example, the careful counters at the AFA report that the word "hell" was used 17 times, "damn" was uttered nine times and "horny" was used on three occasions. "Suck my weenie," "prick," and "fat ass" all tied with "Jesus Christ" at one use each.

The letter also explains a number of references for the members of Congress. Among the "objectionable scenes, themes and situations" in *Tales*, says the AFA, are a "discussion of 'cock rings,' a sex toy popular with homosexuals," "several references to 'poppers,' a drug homosexuals use to induce a more intense orgasm," and mentions of a "Mr. End Up (reference to anal sex) dance contest at a homosexual bar."

Urge your Senators and Representatives to publicly denounce this latest AFA assault on lesbian, gay and bisexual PBS programming. For the names and addresses of your representatives, call the League of Women Voters at 415/989-8683.

Youth and the Media

An issue of EXTRA! (the magazine published by F.A.I.R.) examines various issues related to youth and the mass media. Included in the mix is an essay by Matt Marco, "Covering Gay Youth: From Invisibility to Trending to Respect." Marco is the publisher of Y.O.U.T.H., a magazine for and about young queers.

Another outstanding, not-to-be-missed essay is "Bashing Youth: Media Myths About Teenagers," by Mike Males. Males strikes down a form of media bias that too often goes ignored (sound familiar?).

Grab a copy at your local newsstand or write to Fairness & Accuracy in Reporting, 130 West 25th St., New York, NY 10001, tel 212/633-6700, fax 212/727-7668.

First Lesbian?

An edition of *First for Women* (a popular, slick "supermarket" magazine) includes a feature on Margarethe Cammermeyer, the Army nurse discharged from the U.S. military for being a lesbian. This feature story—slipped in among articles on hair care, Mariel Hemingway, and lots of pasta recipes—offers a notable account of the difficult choices that Cammermeyer has been forced to make throughout her life and career. Cammermeyer is depicted as a loving mother, a brave soldier, and a woman who has finally come to terms with her sexually orientation—a woman with whom the magazine's readers can identify. The article gave depth to a story that has probably been a soundbite for many of the magazine's readers.

Send comments to Jane Traulsen, Editor-in-Chief, *First for Women*, c/o Bauer Publishing, 270 Sylvan Ave., Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632, or call the magazine's Reader Service Dept. at 201/569-9094.

We Are Family

The IKEA home furnishing company released four new TV commercials in its "Lifestages" campaign. The ads portray an adoptive family, a gay couple discussing their purchase of a dining room table, a husband supporting his wife's artistic ambitions, and a fifty-something couple attaining their dream vacation home. Currently IKEA operates 12 stores in the United States and 118 stores worldwide. So far, ads in this new campaign have been broadcast in New York, Houston, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC.

Comments may be sent to Pam Deacons, IKEA Inc., Plymouth Commons, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462, tel 215/834-0180.

More Hate Media

The publishers of STRAIGHT magazine ("Society To Remove All Immoral Gross Homosexual Trash") have announced a new advertising campaign. Their current display ad - which they claim will be "running in several publications across the country by the end of the year" - features the banner headline: "WANTED: All criminals protecting, promoting or practicing homosexual perversion." The ad declares that the "death penalty for homosexuals is prescribed in the Bible" and asks readers to help "bring these criminals to justice". Correspondence may be directed to STRAIGHT, PO Box 5251, Denver, CO 80217.

KFRC: bigots of broadcasting?

Listeners to San Francisco radio station KFRC (AM 610 and FM 99.7) have made several complaints about homophobic slurs.

On the morning show, disc jockeys Gary and Jay reportedly referred to lesbians and gays as "sick and pathetic." They also criticized Tom Hanks' speech at the Academy Awards, claiming the actor was "easily led" and "not too bright."

Additionally, they derided a Mexican gay man who is seeking political asylum in the U.S. One of the jocks claimed that lesbians and gays are not the target of human rights abuses in Mexico. As proof, the DJ argued that Mexican resort workers are all gay.

KFRC has failed to return GLAAD's phone calls inquiring into these incidents. Share your thoughts on the matter with David Bramnick, General Manager, KFRC, 500 Washington St., S.F., CA 94111, tel 415/391-9970, fax 415/397-7655.

We must confront homophobia to cure it! To notify the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation of any defamatory media coverage, or to request GLAAD membership information, write to: GLAAD/SFBA, 514 Castro St., Suite B, San Francisco, CA 94114, or call 415/861-4588; fax: 415/861-4893.

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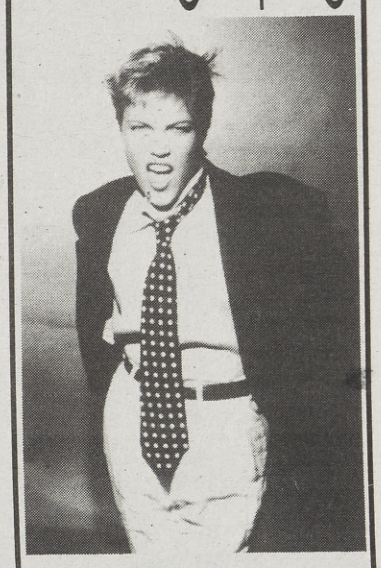

Uncommon Warrior

By Jewelle Gomez

I was born on the South Side of Chicago. I was born black and female. I was born in the depression after one world war, and came in my adolescence during another. While I was still in my teens the first atom bombs were dropped at Nagasaki and Hiroshima. And by the time I was twenty-three years old, my government and that of the Soviet Union had

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An exclusive interview...

Sherry Harris to address CAPPAC

By Erich Mathias
MGW/Staff

A Washington Blade headline reported on Sept. 20, 1991 that "Black Lesbian stomps 26-year incumbent in primary." Sherry Harris, the "stomping" black lesbian of the headline, was ultimately elected to a city council seat in Seattle, Washington.

Sherry Harris, a City Councilmember of Seattle, Washington, is the highest elected black, openly lesbian official in the nation. Harris will be the keynote speaker at the 6th Annual CAPPAC dinner on May 7. Info: 736-2722.

"That's a bit more graphic than I would have described it...but, yes, I beat him significantly. Actually [my opponent in the primary] was in office for twenty-four years, not twenty-six," Harris said, reticently and assuredly correcting an inaccuracy—a common theme in her public work.

"I was the better candidate," Harris added, "That's what really made the difference. I was completely unknown. No one had ever heard of me. I was not supported or backed by any particular group including the gay and lesbian community. It was a big barrier" that was diminished through financial support from the Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund and subsequent exposure. Harris is presently the highest elected black, openly lesbian official in the United States.

Her nonpartisan race for the Seattle City Council was touched by her opponent's claim that he was the "moral conservative." Harris said she differed with him on issues "of equal rights and civil rights for all people. His personal view did not reflect the belief that gays and lesbians should have equal rights."

Harris was aware from the beginning that her triple-minority status might play a role in seeking the city council seat. "Race was not a big issue since [the incumbent candidate] is black and I am black. Gender made me stand out since the other candidates were mostly all men. But it was an interesting phenomenon with the issue of sexual orientation," Harris said, pausing, "I made sure the first [public statements] I made before the race included the fact that I am gay, just to get that out of the way so my opponent couldn't make an issue of it. I have to say, though, that with the voters—whether it was shaking hands on the street or public forums—the issue never came up. On the other hand, it was completely the opposite with the media. They just could not get off the gay issue. They did nothing but insatiably, incessantly refer to me as 'the lesbian' who was running for city council. As a result, unfortunately, voters learned very little about me as a candidate through the press."

Currently serving as the Seattle City Council Chair of the Housing, Community Development and Urban Environment Committee, Harris is marked by a self-effacing spontaneity and directness; the cool white streak that runs through her otherwise dark hair compliments this striking characteristic.

Her understated bearing is extinguished as Harris describes the state of lesbian and gay rights: "We are under siege. We are under attack in every town, every city, every state in this nation. It is an attack like we have never seen before. What's difficult about this for us as a community is that many of us are stuck in our old ways. Many of us are still thinking that if we stay in the closet and don't say anything that we'll be able to keep our jobs, we'll be able to keep our secret relationships and these people [who oppose lesbians and gays] will all go away.

"What they don't realize is that the rules have changed. It's no longer a matter of cops harassing us as we come out of the Stonewall bar in New York. We're in a position where people are attempting to or have passed laws in cities, statewide and nationally that say it is legal to discriminate, it is legal to remove equal protection under the law because of sexual orientation."

Harris contends that such laws would automatically remove all closet doors. "With these laws, the people who hate us as gay people will have the authority and motivation to hunt us out and when they find us they will seriously impact our lives," she said. "There is a percentage of the gay community who are working on rectifying these problems but far too few of us don't grasp the seriousness of this threat and the devastation it will cause to our lives. This has to change and that is why I actively seek the participation of others."

She warmly describes Seattle, with a population of over half a million, as a vital city led by a "very strong mayor and council system." The city's mayor is separately elected and each city councilmember runs city-wide, at-large, lacking the districts that divide cities such as Sacramento. "I represent the whole city," Harris said.

"I ran on an environmental platform, it was the major focus of my race. I wanted to bring an environmental focus and dialogue to the city council," she said. In Seattle, Harris has been referred to as an "urban environmentalist" who sought, and continues to seek, to create policies that defend and fortify the fundamental qualities of urban life. "It's an honor to chair a committee that focuses on those issues. When we think about getting in touch with nature, we think about driving 20 miles," Harris told the Seattle Weekly. "What we really need is to have places where we can get peace of mind [within our cities]."

On a more personal level, Harris hopes to "stand as an example to other gay people for what an individual can achieve. Considering my background, and what we perceive as the pursuit of public office—that it takes a certain degree of wherewithal, smarts and guts—but the reality is much different. Sometimes it just takes saying to yourself, 'This is what I want to do and I'm going to do it against all odds.' That's what I did. And just by virtue of the example of myself, I hope this influences others pursuing public office or other significant accomplishments in their lives.

"All of my minority statuses are a challenge for me to juggle in the public life. On a personal level I am someone who feels very passionately about the environment, transportation issues, community development, and I worked very hard as a citizen on those issues. In being placed in such a visible position with the voters, I've found I've had to take a second look at myself and the significance of what it means to this whole other group of people who are influenced by the fact that I'm here."

Harris, 38, who compares herself stylistically if not substantively with California Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, was born and

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Erich Mathias promoted to Managing Editor

MGW Newspaper: bigger, better, faster, more

By Elisabeth Pyle
MGW/Staff

To mark the beginning of its 18th year in publication, MGW Newspaper Publisher and Editor-in-Chief Linda Birner has promoted Arts Editor Erich Mathias to the position of Managing Editor. Birner said there are few individuals who possess the "fresh energy, tenacious passion, enthusiasm and dedication that Erich does, and who are capable of the job's enormous responsibilities. I'm very confident in his abilities. Together we will continue to serve the lesbian, gay, bisexual and non-gay communities."

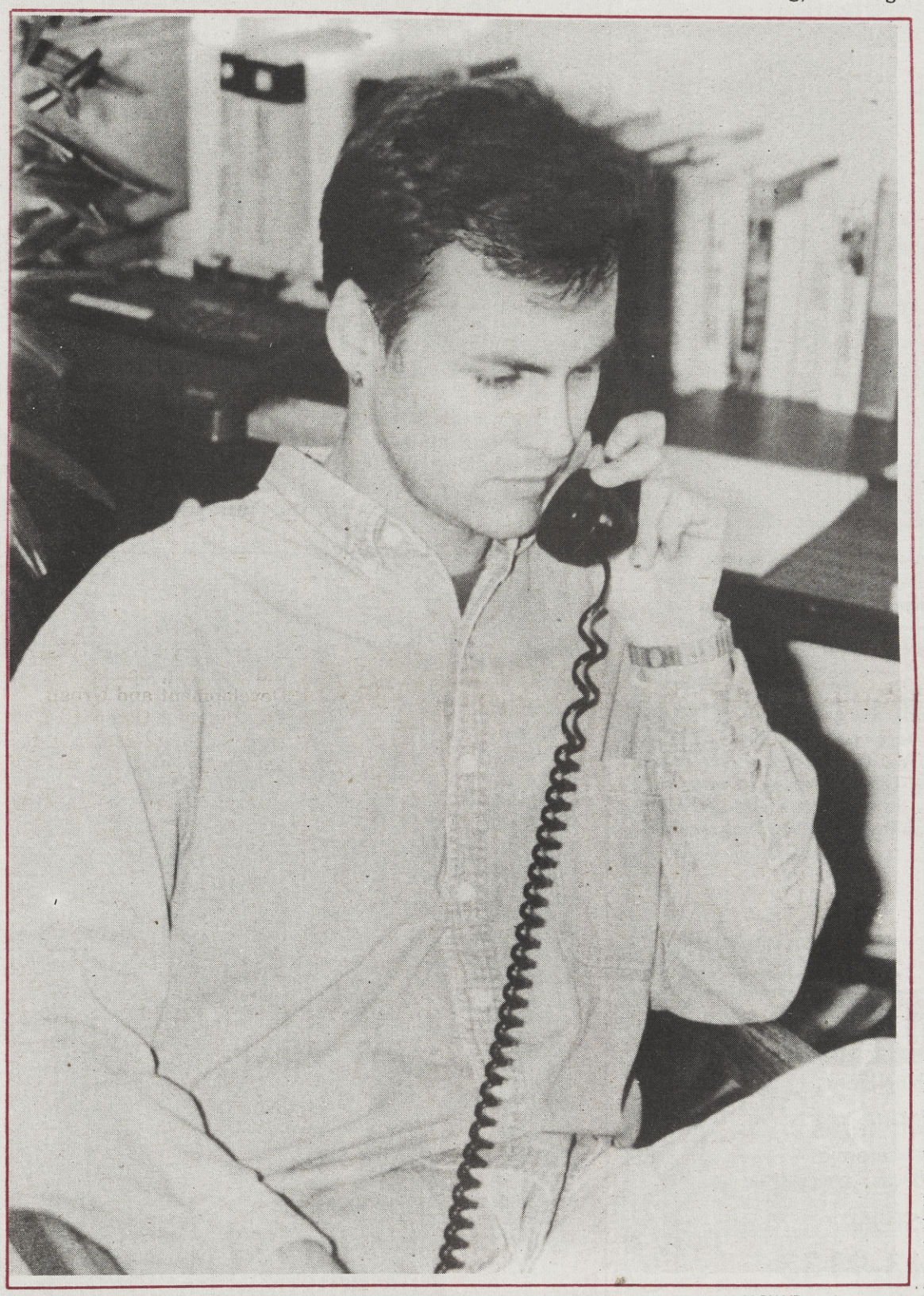
In accepting the position, Mathias indicated his ambitious plan to begin publishing MGW on a weekly basis. "It is the next natural step for this newspaper. 'Deem it not all a too presumptuous folly,'" Mathias quipped, "but there are political races and legislative bills pouring from the state Capitol that directly influence the lives of California's lesbian, gay and bisexual people and it is our responsibility to cover these issues in a more timely manner."

Mathias added that his and Birner's decision to publish weekly was influenced by "the rapidly growing communities of Central and Northern California. We have previously kept pace with the region's growth and publishing weekly will keep pace with that ever-expanding readership. We will be connected with the Associated Press wireservice [or related services] such as GayNet or GayWire in order to maintain a firm grasp on national and international events."

MGW's readership-base is estimated at 90,000 within the Sacramento region. "Naturally that number increases exponentially when you consider our distribution in the major gay-populated areas of the state such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Palm Springs and the Russian River area."

Mathias proudly points to MGW's wide impact by displaying an article from MGW recently reprinted in a gay magazine of Barcelona, Spain; an advertisement that ran in MGW placed by a group from Ontario, Canada and the request for a subscription to the newspaper from a resident of Baghdad, Iraq. "Sometimes I feel that distributing a local newspaper from California to places as far away as Hawaii and Washington, DC is absurd. It is, actually, but it makes sense when you consider the fact that we are part of an international community. What is happening to Brenda and Wanda Henson in Mississippi is as universal as the persecution of lesbians and gays in Castro's Cuba. It is as universal as what happens daily in West Hollywood; it is as historic as Tony Miller's candidacy for Secretary of State."

In her decision to promote Mathias, Birner said she hoped to capitalize on his "broad experience and his contribution to the revitalized appearance, content and large increase in



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MGW Newspaper's newly-promoted Managing Editor Erich Mathias is considering, with Publisher and Editor-in-Chief Linda Birner, new directions and options for the future of the paper.

advertisers" of MGW. Birner said the paper, which has long served the diverse communities of Central and Northern California, "is going to regularly and more fully serve a greatly expanded area." According to Birner and Mathias, these areas will include the entire region from Redding to Bakersfield and from Reno to the Bay Area. Many of the largely conservative and rural areas "lack a cogent voice for the issues that most directly effect the lesbian, gay and bisexual community," Birner said, "we have before us the opportunity to be that voice."

Mathias noted that most information published in gay-related journals "sadly remains locked within the queer community. We hear the same news over and over again from several sources. I want MGW to continue to be a bridge between all communities and individuals, including the non-gay community. If anybody *needs* to hear what MGW reports, it's certainly straight people. One of our staff members who is non-gay said she and her husband had no idea to what depths lesbian and gay people had been robbed of their identity until she began reading MGW several years ago. That makes what we do worth it." In addition, Mathias has indicated that he wishes to offer greater and more regular coverage to issues concerning women, bisexuals, people of color, seniors, youth, transgendered persons and persons living with HIV/AIDS.

"This paper has been accused of being a lesbian rag, a bar rag, an S/M rag, an AIDS rag, an all-white-male manifesto and, after a recent issue, a propaganda piece for African American lesbians and gays. My answer is, 'Yes we are.' Such 'accusations' indicate that people are reading, listening to, thinking about and discussing the issues raised in MGW. Each individual who contributes to this paper, either through advertising or reading, writing and so on, is essential because the lessons to be learned from our communities can only increase in value when they are heard across a wider social spectrum. We have a very thoughtful, concerned readership that shows us, and those we reach, the tools and beauty of our common humanity."

Mathias, a professional writer and filmmaker who emigrated from Los Angeles in 1990, began his career with MGW as Arts and Entertainment Editor in June of last year. "I was so goddamned mad at MGW!" Mathias exclaimed. "I saw so much potential that wasn't being exploited. I felt offended, as though I was being mocked, every time I picked up a copy of any of the local gay papers. I remember one paper called Patlar that looked and read like a drivers license manual."

Reflecting on his first visit to MGW's offices, Mathias joked, "I walked in the doors last summer and found Linda Birner micro-managing with a baseball bat. Seriously though, seventeen years of stress had finally boiled over for Linda. She still had this great energy but it was all misdirected and misapplied, mostly striking unfavorably on the people who were there to support her in her cause. The one thing that she retained however was an enormous trust for those people—she loved them so much that she wasn't afraid of being angry at them. Sadly, a lot of people have taken, and do take, her shotgun attitude as a reflection on them. I refused to do that—my ego is too healthy—and Linda and I have created a pleasantly antagonistic and hugely productive working relationship."

"Erich and I agree and disagree on many issues and that usually leads to a very well-balanced editorial content for the paper," Birner said. "I don't want a bunch of yes-men and wet nurses. As publisher and editor-in-chief, I demand greatness because our readers and advertisers demand greatness."

With the paper's expansion will come the requisite problems of growth: faced with doubling the paper's current estimated circulation of 25,000 per issue, the editorial staff is confronted with nearly doubling the number of pages from forty-eight to eighty.

According to Mathias, there is no shortage of available news. "Much of the news we receive ends up in a file, unseen, unread. This is truly a disservice. I find that I often run out of space for a really great interview or calendar listing or service that is available. These 'stupid' little things could be vital to someone's life and I have no choice but to kill the story for lack of space. Of course, publishing weekly will both rectify and add to the problem. There's just no way around it. I hope that I build enough confidence and trust within our communities so that they know I will be there to print what is most salient, most urgent. The philosopher [Jose] Ortega said the primary characteristic of life is 'it's coerciveness, it is always urgent, here-and-now, with no possibility for postponement. Life is fired at us point blank.' It's in this fashion that we must make our decisions, not pragmatically,

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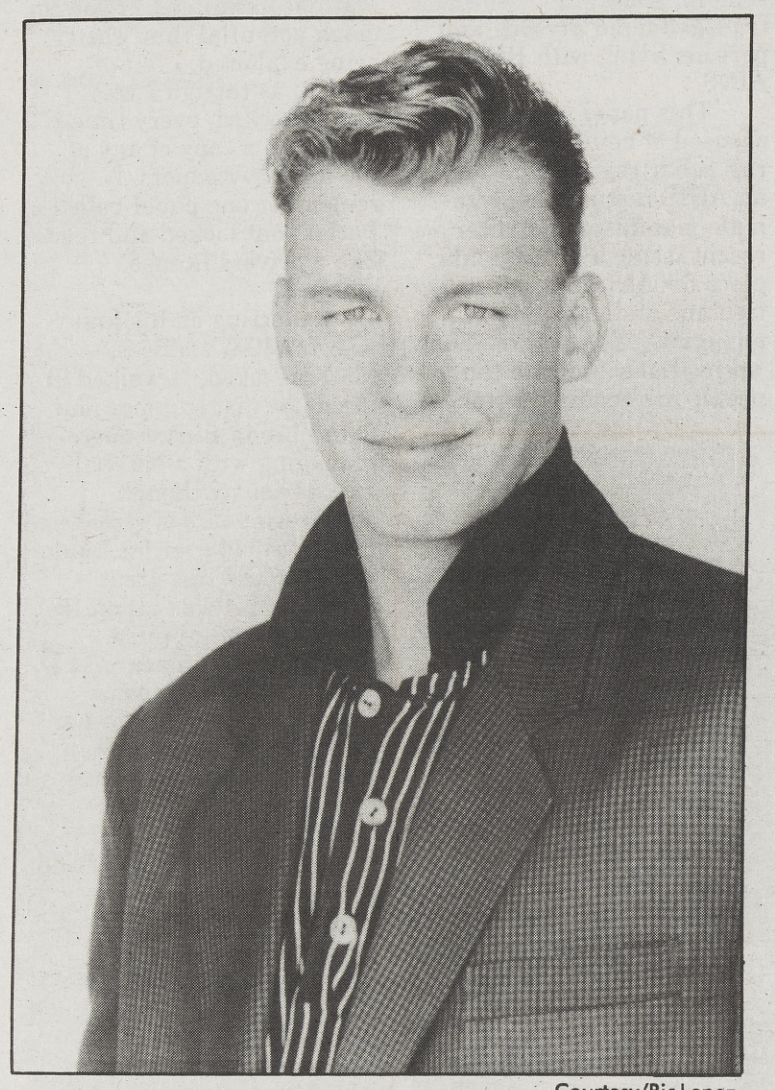
The new faces at MGW Newspaper



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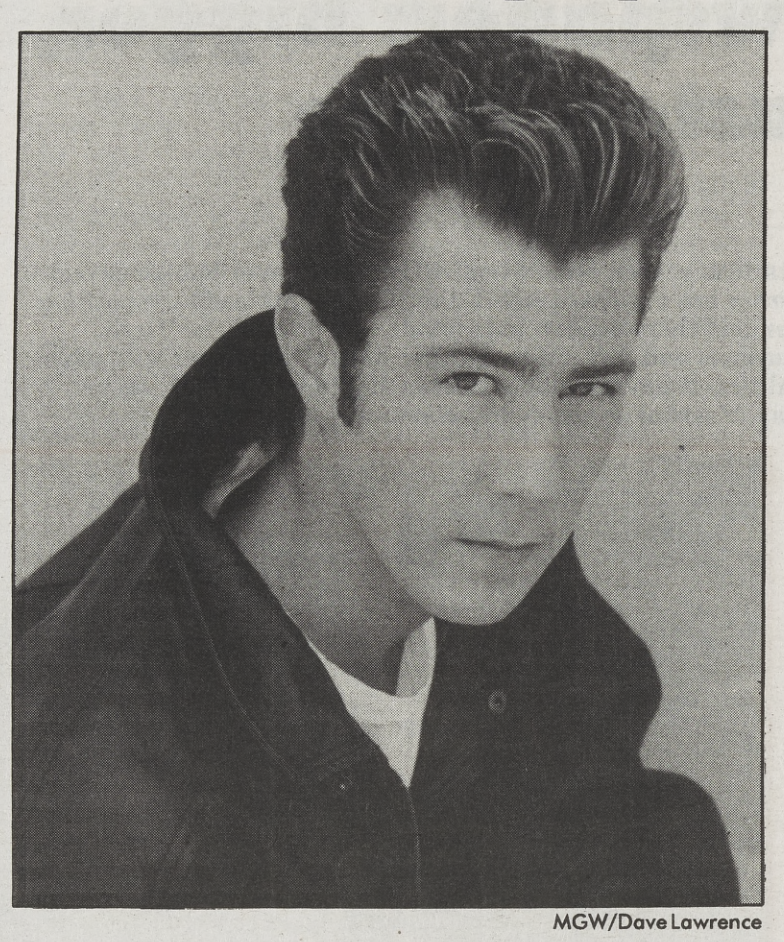
Born 1968 in Indianapolis, Michael Hughes moved to Sacramento in 1984. After attending Grant Union High School, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served his country for four years. For the past two years he has been attending ARC, and will be transferring to CSUS in the fall.

Sloane McClean has been in the graphics business for ten years, most of which were spent working for a tiny newspaper in Calaveras County where she was trained to do a little of everything. After 25 years of utter boredom, she finally moved to Sacramento, where she is "enjoying the hell out of being the token 'not really gay' person" at MGW. ▶



MGW/Dave Lawrence

Sacramento native Dave Lawrence has been shooting photos professionally for the past three years. He is currently working as a fashion photographer-for Ritter Model Management here in Sacramento and for Stars Modeling & Talent Agency in San Francisco.

MGW/Dave Lawrence

MGW: 'a full, consistent and radical alternative'

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but objectively and realistically."

According to Birner, she and Mathias are discussing with the paper's fiscal managers the necessity of increasing classified, display and other advertising rates. "We haven't raised our prices for nearly a decade," Birner said, "but going weekly is simply going to have to include price hikes." As we look at our market, our new expenses and begin forthcoming discussions with advertisers we'll have a better picture of how to proceed. We'll be offering huge reductions below our current rates to new advertisers and advertisers with other publications who are looking for weekly exposure. As an incentive, we'll be offering the same rates to existing advertisers for the two or three additional issues in which their ad would not normally appear."

The paper has recently added over five professional photographers, graphic artists, typesetters and advertising representatives to its staff. "We had Mich Miyagi [of Mich-Long Enterprizes] give our Sacramento office a face lift. We're also working on the exterior and improving our equipment," Mathias said. "Our computers will be networked for individual workstations and we are adding new printers, scanners, software, hard drives and other necessary publishing equipment. This will make us essentially more efficient and we will be able to pass on those savings. Our attention has really focused on bettering ourselves in order to provide an ever-improving, evolving product. I don't have any illusions about some unattainable perfection...instead I seek to pursue a very realistic mastery and excellence in this business."

Regardless of the stress and problems that face him, Mathias remains philosophical about such an undertaking, "One of the great minds of our time wrote, 'Ideas cannot be fought except by means of better ideas. The battle consists not of opposing, but of exposing; not of denouncing, but of disproving; not of evading, but of boldly proclaiming a full, consistent and radical alternative.' She was absolutely right. MGW Newspaper will stand as proof—'a full, consistent and radical alternative.'"

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PEOPLE

Harris: 'All my minority statuses are a challenge for me'

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raised by her mother in Newark, New Jersey. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the New Jersey Institute of Technology and an MBA from City University. "My mom never graduated from high school, but she taught me to value very strongly getting a good education. I'm in elected office now, and I won't want to do this forever, but my education has served me well," she said. Harris worked as an engineer for US West Communications and moved to Seattle in 1978.

"I wasn't out until my early twenties," Harris said, "and, interestingly, it came as a surprise to my mother. It wasn't something that she had a sense of with me. She initially took it very, very hard. Once she figured out that it didn't mean anything—that I was the same person, the same daughter—she overcame her own stereotypes of what a gay person was. She had no models for who gay people are or were, now she does." Harris' mother recently joined her daughter by moving to Seattle.

Harris described her years in college as a purely intellectual pursuit: "I was more interested in seeing how many games of chess I could play simultaneously."

Her civic pursuits, which have included involvement with the Northwest Women's Law Center, the Rainbow Coalition, the NAACP and local Washington Democratic and labor organizations, have changed many of her perceptions: "America has a history and a tradition of singling out groups of people for special hate. We have got to stand up to that tradition. We've got to say, 'No more!' We have got to say that we value all people who are a part of this human society. We must value and celebrate our diversity. We have got to be a tolerant society and stop distracting ourselves and wasting our emotional energies—and wasting people's lives—year after year, decade after decade, in campaigns of hate waged against other groups of people. The words of our Founding Fathers, if we take them at face value, included everyone. Everyone was granted equal rights and equal protection. But that included only those who were known to them at the time. As America has grown and diversified, I think the original principles still stand but we need to recognize that those principles apply equally and must be extended to those areas of growth and diversity. That has been the basic error that has caused so much hate to exist in this country. This is the root of unequal protection."

Harris will be the keynote speaker at the 6th Annual CAPPAC Dinner. Joining Harris will be comedian Danny Williams. The dinner will feature the premiere of a video production of moments in the struggle for civil rights and a silent auction fundraiser. The dinner will be held at the Sacramento Convention Center, Metropolitan Room, 1100 14th St., Sacramento, Saturday, May 7, 6pm. $75 per person. Info: 736-2722.

This article was prepared with the invaluable assistance of Stephen Stafford of Congressman Robert Matsui's office.▼

NEWS

Gay writers get lost in shuffle

By Dell Richards
MGW/Staff

Many gay writers are getting lost in the shuffle between the mainstream and gay press. Though not all gay authors published by mainstream houses suffer this fate, some of the best published this past decade have languished in obscurity until recently because of it.

Take gay author Robert Plunket whose first book, "My Search for Warren Harding" barely caused a ripple in the gay community when it came out a decade ago.

"I was rather surprised at how well received the book was in the straight press while the gay press ignored me. My books have been better received by the straight than gay press, strangely enough," said Plunkett. "There are two different worlds and they're not getting together."

The 47-year-old Florida author is not the only one from a mainstream house who has faced this problem. Lesbian author Blanche McCrary Boyd won the prestigious Wallace Steener Fellowship from Stanford University in 1967 but was barely heard of in the gay community until the 1990's when gays began discovering her work.

"I felt like Lazarus risen from the dead," she said of the 1991 Out-Write Conference where, as a featured speaker, she was swamped by gay admirers for the first time in years. "Until then, I'd been stunned by how ignored I had been not only in the gay and lesbian community but by women's bookstores."

Boyd stresses the reasons in her case were many-sided, including the fact she didn't write a book for a decade — and when she did it was a collection of non-fiction articles unlike her previous novels. "I didn't write a book for ten years and didn't write a novel for 13," said Boyd,

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Women Speaking the Unspeakable

Cancer Bodies

By Julia Gray
MGW/Staff

This is a love story, that of Sandy and Barbara, but more importantly it is about the politics of cancer, sexism, the blaming of women and breaking the silence of cancer.

Barbara Rosenblum's story begins during the prime of life. She is an assistant professor at Stanford University and her relationship with Sandy is stable and fulfilling. The lump in her breast is improperly diagnosed and so begins her struggle for life and her battle against cancer.

Portrayed during the three-year period prior to Barbara's death, the two women face the injustices of the health care system, definition of their relationship and a renewal of their Jewish identities. Brenda Starr (Barbara) and Rhonda Guaraglia (Sandy) provide an inspired portrait of the shared experience of living with cancer and being the partner who survives.

The stories of the four women in Barbara's support group are based on actual interviews and are intertwined within the play. The group comprises a cross-culture of women with ovarian cancer, lung cancer, melanoma. An African American woman with breast cancer dramatizes the challenges faced by women of color and the poor. The four women present a dynamic and personal portrayal of the individual struggles women with cancer face in their daily lives.

Cancer Bodies is a well produced, critically important and timely piece inciting us to challenge cancer as a feminist issue and to recognize women's struggle with this disease. Throughout the performance our attention is focused on the statistics and the reality of this epidemic. Chronicled are the numbers of women diagnosed and dying from cancer every year, the pollution of our environment, and the control of information directed by pharmaceutical companies, cancer institutions, and scientists who gear research toward profit rather than actual prevention.

Presented by Tribad Productions, adapted and directed by Victoria Rue from Cancer in Two Voices by Sandra Butler and Barbara Rosenblum. Produced by Judith De Rosa and Sandra Ellis. Playing at the Five Corners Theater in Petaluma through May 7. Info: 707/545-9806.▼

SOUND BITES

Judy Tenuta live at the L.A. Gay Pride Festival

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—Judy Tenuta

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Writers: 'the crucial thing is humor'

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looking back.

For many gay writers published by the mainstream, however, three hurdles stand in their way:

* Mainstream houses don't know how to market to the gay press; Heterosexual reviewers handle gay books gingerly; Gay critics are wary of authors who veer away from an obviously liberal political stance.

In the past, Plunket ran into all three.

His publisher, Harper Perennial, sent out review copies to gay papers without mentioning the author was gay.

"It's not clear from the promo material why they're sending it to us," said Tracy Baim, publisher of "Chicago Outlines," a gay monthly. "We got a lot of stuff and we don't have any idea they're gay. It's a shame they don't know how to market to the gay press."

Plunket has gotten lifts from such literary trend-setters as *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. But because of the way he has been handled by straight reviewers, he hasn't made much of a stir in the gay community.

"There was absolutely no feeling that it was a gay book in any way, shape or form which was kind of puzzling to me," said Plunket. "It was not perceived as a gay novel by any stretch of the imagination."

Yet the plot hinges on repressed homosexuality and the book was popular with the gays who were lucky enough to discover it.

Being a satire on bigotry, it also ran into problems with the few gay critics who did see it. Though the main character gets his come-uppance in the end — in exactly the same manner he has been dishing it out — the book is so sardonic, it borders on the cruel. Some reviewers found it offensive.

"Every once in a while when I talked with gay critics, they had a lot of complaints about it," said Plunket. "They took it a little too seriously."

Plunket's most recent book, "Love Junkie," probably won't meet the same fate because it's been optioned for

a movie by none other than superstar Madonna. Just released in paperback, it could still languish in obscurity until the movie is made in much the same way Fannie Flagg's "Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe" did.

Whether Plunket is perceived as a gay writer or not, he is proud of the added depths being gay gives him.

"In many ways, it's a big plus — it's like having all these resources at your fingertips that straight writers don't have. Straight writers don't understand that whole gay sensibility but from a literary and artistic point of view, it always works —it's a wonderful sensibility to have."

For him, that ephemeral entity called a "gay sensibility" is the basis of most humor.

"The crucial thing is a self-mocking humor," said Plunket. "The greatest exponents are the drag queens — and not the beautiful ones who do the lip-synching but the fat, ugly ones who introduce them!"

Plunket's latest book relies on the humor of the gay drag world so much, he calls it "literary drag." The main character also is a heterosexual woman who falls for a gay porn star.

Whether the publisher will know how to milk this twist for the gay community remains to be seen.

Author Boyd, who has just won a Guggenheim Foundation grant, hopes that mainstream publishers finally have learned to market to the gay as well as non-gay audience.

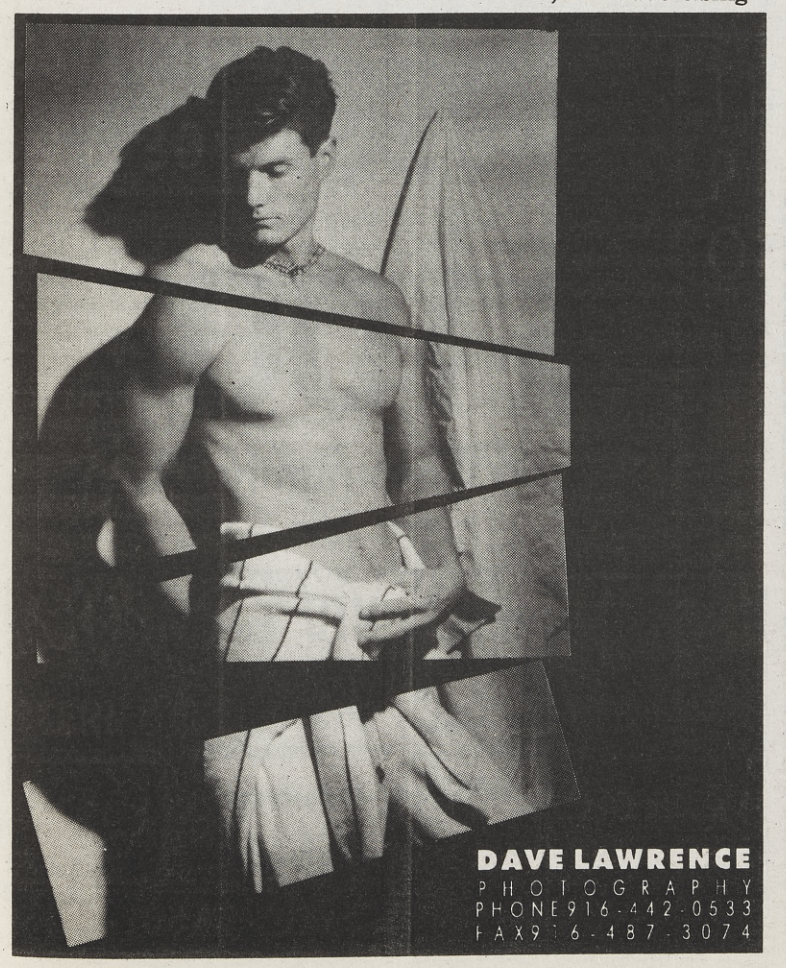
"Some publishers know better than others how to market gay books — books with gay content," said Boyd. "But a lot of gay people still don't know they could go to a mainstream press and find books that have anything to do with us. That, I hope, is changing."

Wishing Well celebrates 20 years

The 20th anniversary celebration of The Wishing Well will be held in San Diego from July 15-17. The Wishing Well is a publication for women edited and published by Laddie Hosler. Through services offered by The Wishing Well, women have been meeting each other for years by mail or at private gatherings in a safe, secure, and non-threatening environment alternative to the bar scene. The Southern California publication also includes messages from the editor, book reviews, and advertising of interest to women.

The celebration will be a women-only event and will happen during Gay/Lesbian Pride Week in San Diego, so early registration is a must. The celebration will include a dinner, a dance, and other events to be scheduled.

Info: The Wishing Well, Box 713090, Santee, CA 92072.▼



Bitter Moon ▼½

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Starring **Peter Coyote, Emmanuelle Seigner, Hugh Grant, Kristin Scott-Thomas, Victor Banerjee**.

Courtesy

Emmanuelle Seigner and Kristen Scott-Thomas have the last laugh in Roman Polanski's *Bitter Moon*.

Bitter Moon is Polanski's (*The Tenant, Rosemary's Baby*) wary and irresponsible adaptation of Pascal Bruckner's *Lunes de Fiel* that examines two repressed, obsessed and passionless couples, consisting of Nigel and Fiona (Grant and Scott-Thomas, who were both excellent in Mike Newell's *Four Weddings and a Funeral*) and Oscar and Mimi (Coyote and Seigner) who meet on a cruise ship.

Nigel becomes infatuated with Mimi as Oscar becomes obsessed with telling him all the gory details of how he and Mimi met, fell in love, fell apart and ultimately became the two pitiless people we see on the screen. Oscar's narration, full of bad cliches and sickening self-pity, give the overall effect of Harrison Ford's deliberately monotone narration in *Blade Runner*.

Nigel desperately seeks the crack in Oscar and Mimi's relationship that will allow him in, but Fiona is not blind to his intentions and warns him, "Anything you can do, I can do better."

At the climax (which came after a long, boring journey) Fiona seeks revenge on her husband, as does Oscar, and both in a very surprising fashion.

Polanski has offered nothing but stodgy marriages riddled with vain conquests presenting themselves as love. See it, if you must, for the climactic party scene, but do bring a good book, as well.

—Erik Slayton

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HIV NEWSLINE

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Female condoms are coming...

Reality, the female condom from London, will appear in U.S. drug stores this August at a price of about $2.50 per condom (sold three to a box, individually wrapped and prelubricated). The Food and Drug Administration recently approved the maker's manufacturing plant and has given the go-ahead for the condoms to be shipped into this country.

Oral practices emphasis...

Although unprotected anal intercourse has been fairly well publicized as high-risk sex, more emphasis needs to be placed on educating people about the high risk associated with unprotected mouth-to-anus contact (anilingus), say the National Cancer Institute and the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases. The risk is high for contracting not only AIDS, but hepatitis B, hepatitis A, and a host of other disorders caused by parasites and microbes that spread via the fecal-to-oral route.

Deaf education falling behind...

AIDS activists say a great number of America's deaf adults and teens have only a rudimentary understanding of anatomy, disease and medicine, and don't understand what "HIV positive" means, how to practice safe sex and avoid infection with clean needles, or that women can get AIDS. The first language of many is American Sign Language, and the average deaf adult, they say, reads and understands English between a third- and eighth-grade level. Further, many residential schools for the deaf lean toward puritanical, with a sex education curriculum that is less comprehensive than public schools. Additionally, they suggest, deaf people may be at greater risk of turning to IV drug use because of loneliness and alienation. AIDS activists say outreach programs for the deaf must be created and expanded, that AIDS prevention services are dismally failing these folks among us.

Pioneer Church hosts event...

On Wednesday, May 11, Pioneer Congregational United Church of Christ at 27th and L Streets will sponsor an AIDS educational event. A 7:30 concert will feature Brahms' German Requiem; and representatives of the AIDS Interfaith Network, Sacramento AIDS Foundation, CARES, Hope House, and the Sacramento Chapter of the NAMES Project Quilt will be on hand to answer questions about the epidemic beginning at 5:30. Panels of the AIDS Quilt will be on display. Proceeds from the $5-10 concert tickets will be shared among the AIDS Foundation, CARES, and Hope House. This is an excellent opportunity to bring family and friends into an information-gathering setting. For more info, call 443-3727.

Quilt coming to Capitol...

The Sacramento Chapter of the Quilt will display panels not only at the Pioneer Church on May 11 (as noted above), but also in the Capitol Rotunda during the week of May 16-20. Other opportunities to experience the Quilt will be shared with MGW readers as they become finalized.

Needle Exchange...

About one-third of all people who now have AIDS in the U.S. are either drug users, or the sex partners or children of users, says a recent New York study which confirms previous conclusions that needle exchange works. About 18 percent of those who continued to share needles contracted the virus during the two-year study period, compared to only 5 percent who stopped sharing needles. U.S. law prohibits federal funding of needle exchange programs until their effectiveness has been "proven." It has been again and again, say medical experts, but still we see no shift in policy.

Confidentiality put to the test...

All babies born in New York are tested for HIV, but the results are kept secret from everyone, including the mother and the doctor. Once their immune systems have developed (after about 18 months), it turns out that most of the babies initially testing positive do not actually carry the virus. This initial test, however, DOES mean that their mother carries the virus. It is astounding, says a member of New York's State Assembly, that nothing is done with the results of these tests other than to gather statistics. The opportunity to treat the mothers, and offer early intervention to infected toddlers should take priority over the confidentiality of the tests. As a result, legislation has been introduced to require the state to track HIV-tested newborns and notify the mothers of the results. Opponents to the idea say the legislation would drive people away from the health care system and be a first step in eroding confidentiality of people with HIV. Additionally, they point out, since it's been found that AZT taken by pregnant mothers can radically reduce the risk of transmitting the virus to newborns, testing after birth is about 6 months too late.

Long follow-up emphasized...

The study to determine if AZT is effective in reducing viral transmission during pregnancy was recently brought to an abrupt halt based on the strong preliminary findings. Early results indicated that HIV transmission was reduced from nearly 26 percent in pregnant women receiving placebos, to 8 percent in infants whose moms had been given AZT. Based on these findings, the trial was halted and all women receiving placebos are now being offered the AZT treatment. It's imperative, however, stresses Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, that because the long-terms effects of this therapy on the infants is unknown, no official recommendations about this treatment are being made pending development of a consensus regarding the balance between known benefit versus unknown risk.▼

FAREWELL

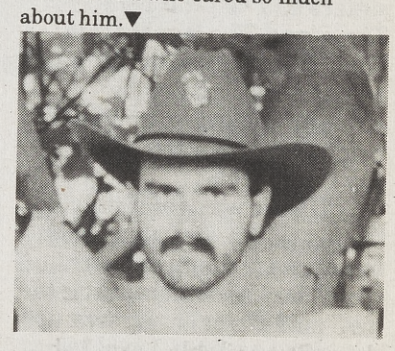
PHILIP WAGGONER

Surrounded by family and friends, Philip died peacefully on April 5, 1994, of complications associated with AIDS. His devoted life-partner Dean Copsey, his father Elmer Waggoner, his father's fiancee Jolanne Tierney, and many of the numerous friends he cherished were at his side when he died. His passing was commemorated by an old-fashioned wake, with friends dropping in and sharing fond memories, as well as tears and hugs, with one another.

Philip, age 30, was co-founder of the Sacramento Leather Association, and had sung with the Sacramento Men's Chorus. He enjoyed the times he had with these diverse friends. He leaves behind fond memories of his unique brand of humor, his outspokenness, his honesty, his passionate outlook, and the very hot way he looked in leather.

His ashes will be scattered later this summer. At his request, there will be no formal services. Friends and devoted caregivers will be invited to attend a tree-planting in his memory later this summer at the home he shared with Dean.

Philip Waggoner will be mightily missed, and his memory will live on in those whose lives he touched and who cared so much about him.▼



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Sacramento readers are invited to add the names of their loved ones to MGW's remembrance column. Please call 648-1120 at least 30 days prior to the anniversary month of your loss. If you would like information about how to make a Quilt panel, you may leave a message for the Sacramento Chapter of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt on this same number, and we will return your call.

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the national constitution, regardless of the ability to locate plaintiffs-write to Lic. Rafael Garzona, Secretario, CONESUP, Ministerio de Educacion Publica, 1000 San Jose, Costa Rica, and Lic. Miquel Angel Gutierrez Alvarez, Rector de la UIA, Apdo Postal 1447-1002, Paseo de los Estudiantes, San Jose, Costa Rica. Send copies to International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission, 520 Castro St., San Francisco, CA 94114. ▼

KQED domestic partner health insurance

KQED, Inc. announced that equal health insurance benefit options will be made available to all employees regardless of marital status or sexual orientation. Currently, married employees may purchase health insurance coverage for their spouse. The new policy will allow employees who sign a confidential affidavit of spousal equivalency—stating that they have been in a relationship for at least six months—to similarly purchase health insurance for their domestic partner.

The deal was arranged with KQED's two health insurance carriers, Blue Cross and Kaiser, by Benefits Coordinator Janelle Dausch. "I am pleased that both our insurance carriers are making this important benefit available to us," she said. ▼

Artwork sought for State Fair

All California artists are invited to enter the 1994 State Fair art competition, California Works.

Categories include: Two Dimensional Works, Three Dimensional Works, Photographic Works, Small Works and New-Dimensional Works, which was designed for experimental art forms such as video, computer generated art, sound and light sculptures.

This year $15,450 is available in cash awards.

The fair runs August 19 through September 5.

All of the categories will be judged from slides, with the exception of New-Dimensional entries, which will be judged from a combination of slides, video and audio tapes. The jurors are Suzanne Adan, George Longfish, Inez Storer, Arthur Gonzales, Lucy Puls, Rand Schiltz, Mary Tsiongas and Debra Bloomfield.

Entry forms must be received no later than May 27, 1994.

Info: California Works, California State Fair, Box 15649, Sac, CA 95852, tel. 916/263-3146. ▼

Deaf awards night planned

The Deaf Gay & Lesbian Center announced the first annual Bay Area Deaf Lesbian & Gay Community Awards Night, to take place on May 7, during Deaf Lesbian & Gay Awareness Week.

The Deaf Gay & Lesbian Center, along with Northern California Leather Association of the Deaf, Rainbow Deaf Society, Sacramento Valley Lambda Alliance of the Deaf, San Jose Lambda Society of the Deaf and the Deaf AIDS Center have been working together to bring together this historic event. Info: 415-255-0700 TDD. Voice 800-735-2922. ▼

Tomboys wanted

Tomboys! Dyke Derringdo: Short fiction, essays and personal accounts wanted for an anthology on tomboys and lesbian identity, to be published by Alyson Publications. Poetry considered. Looking for literature, imaginative, engaging writing. Attitude encouraged. Send typed, double-spaced submissions with SASE: Tomboys, Alyson Publication, 40 Plympton St., M Boston, MA 02118. Deadline: Jun. 1. ▼

Anti-gay initiative disqualified

An Oregon state judge ruled that a revised version of a statewide anti-gay initiative proposed by the Oregon Citizens Alliance (OCA) is legally flawed. Oregon voters turned the measure down in 1992 and OCA is trying to qualify a new version for the ballot. Circuit Judge Rod Miller has ruled the initiative is not eligible to be on the ballot. In Miller's opinion the measure violates the state constitution because it includes more than one subject. Miller had made a similar ruling in February but withdrew it because of a technical error. OCA says it will appeal the ruling. ▼

Votes on recall

San Jose City Councilmember, Kathy Cole was recalled, making her the first member in the history of that city's council to be removed from office by voters. The recall move was sparked by comments Cole made last May about Asians, Latinos and gays. Cole later apologized for her behavior but recall leaders say her apology was "not sincere." Apparently voters thought so too because 59.2 percent of voters favored recall. ▼

Lutherans remove gay pastor

It was announced that the 5.2 million member Evangelical Lutheran Church in America upheld the controversial removal of Oakland gay pastor, Rev. Ross Merkel. Delegates to the denomination's national conference in Fresno voted to uphold the dismissal of the pastor of Oakland's St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Merkel's 270-member congregation supported their pastor but a Lutheran panel defrocked him for being a practicing homosexual. ▼

Gay couple win custody of child

A panel of state judges in Washington state has ruled in favor of a three-year-old boy staying with his gay foster parents rather than returning to the custody of the mother who abandoned him after a history of child neglect and drug and alcohol abuse. The panel's decision revered a lower court ruling that the mother could keep the child while the state made a ruling on her request. Megan Lucas had the child as an unwed teenager and was content to have the child adopted until she was "born again" and was encouraged not to allow the child to be adopted by the gay couple. Lucas' lawyer says she'll appeal the decision. ▼

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PET TALK

Does your dog bite?

By Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff

ABC Television's prime time featured an outstanding story on dog bites during the Apr. 1 show. The concerns raised were that family dogs are biting their owners as well as others. Unfortunately I get too many calls addressing this same problem and what it tells me is that many dog owners really don't understand canine behavior. It tells me that a vast majority of the population is caught up in the Lassie and Rin Tin Tin myths. Too many are expecting their dogs to have super intelligence and automatically "know" how to behave or are able to "train" themselves. Wrong on both accounts.

The only thing that our dogs know instinctively is how to act like dogs. They think survival. They behave in a manner appropriate to dogs as gleaned form their role models when they are puppies...Mom has a great influence on that early behavior as the pups are part of a dog pack. They need to be taught how to interact in our human pack.

Another problem stems from the desire to own a dog that really may not be appropriate for that family or individual. Here a great deal of the fault lies with the breeder who does not know enough about a breed and the type of person that should or should not have that breed. Too often breeders are concerned with "moving those pups out" so they can rake in those dollars. An individual who lacks a strong sense of self and is not confident probably will have problems with a strong, aggressive type of dog, until or unless training is started immediately. Dogs understand pack leadership and will learn to respect and obey a strong pack leader. Not everyone is qualified to fill that role. A strong dog and a weaker human are an accident just waiting to happen. Size is not an issue here. A small dog can have a very dominant personality and a large dog can be a pussycat. Both have a mouthful of teeth and both can bite when thwarted, threatened or hurt.

Another problem stems from the belief that dogs and kids automatically go together. Not necessarily true. Both need to be educated. Babies and small children should not be left alone with the family dog. Certainly they should not be left alone with two or more family dogs, as now we have a defenseless child with a "pack" of dogs. With the right catalyst the pack mentality can be triggered and the child mauled. Common sense is necessary when dealing with dogs and children.

With escalating crime rates, increasing numbers of people are looking to dogs as home and family protectors. Dogs usually don't come with an instruction sheet. They need to be trained as do their owners. In today's society, the prospective dog owner has more options in the area of investigation prior to obtaining a dog. The American Kennel Club offers a hot line to answer questions and to direct individuals to breeders in a specific area. The calls are 99¢ per minute and average 2-3 minutes, at 1-900-407-7877. Locally, help is as close as the Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs at 483-3602.

Two good books to aid the prospective buyer are The Perfect Puppy, by Dr. Ben and Lynette Hart, and Your Purebred Puppy, A Buyer's Guide, by Michele Lowell. Both books will advise on the suitability of dogs for various life-styles and levels of experience. Veterinarians are another good source for information; after all, they deal with many breeds on a day-to-day basis. Both the City and County Animal Control offer volunteer programs with knowledgeable people to help with adoptions. City AC can be reached at 264-5623, County AC at 855-8982. The people at the SPCA are also more than helpful and are eager to have their dogs adopted into suitable families. Call them at 383-PETS.

Above all, always use common sense when dealing with a dog. After all, the bottom line is this: they are animals, and under stress may exhibit behavior that is not what you expect from your loving pet. ▼

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M A Y

1 - Sunday

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY CLASSICS Geoffrey Simon conducts the Symphony Chorus and Children's Chorus in Puccini's *La Boheme*. CCT, 449-6950.

WOMEN'S WEEKEND I The Russian River, 869-9000.

"...AND DAVID DANCED" A spiritual and sacred music concert. 2:30pm, Sacramento Men's Chorus, Miner's Foundry, Nevada City. 444-5213.

FREE WORKSHOP/TRAINING for HIV+ persons to speak in public schools. CARES 443-3299.

SUTTER STREET ARTS & CRAFTS FAIRE Folsom. 985-7452.

NATIONAL PET WEEK CONTESTS william Land Park, 9-4. 729-0568.

DEAF LESBIAN & GAY AWARENESS WEEK thru 7th. Info: 415/255-9944 (TDD) or 800/735-2922 (Voice)

CINCO de MAYO FIESTA 6-9pm. $2 plate, traditional Mexican Food. The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway. 456-1181.

BIRD CARE SEMINAR, 9-4, Holiday Inn Sacramento NE, 5321 Date Ave. 969-8855.

SACRAMENTO AREA BISEXUAL NETWORK meeting, 6:30pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

DRUMMING CIRCLES A gathering for folks to commune through sound and focus on healing. 3-6pm, The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway, Wayne, 456-1181.

G.L.A.D. TOASTMASTERS Club, MCC, 34th & Broadway, North Hall, 12:30am, 362-9013.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH High Mass, 10am. 1430 J St., 446-2620, 446-0804.

2 - Monday

VALLEY BEARS The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway, 484-7840.

CLEAN AIR WEEK thru May 6. Info: 327-8747

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LESBIAN 12-STEP GROUP No fee, 7:15 - 8:45pm, Trinity Cathedral Church, nursery room, 2620 Capitol Ave., 488-8282.

3 - Tuesday

SAC LEATHER ASSOC. 7pm, meet and greet, 7:30pm, meeting. The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway. 863-3398.

HEART TO HEART HIV+ support group for gay and bi males. 6:30-8pm. SAF, 2nd Floor, 920 20th St. 448-2437.

4 - Wednesday

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE MUSIC Orchestra Outdoor Concert, 7pm, ARC Theatre Lawn, 4700 College Oak Dr., 484-8433.

ARTIST'S RECEPTION Student show and sale, 5-7pm, CSUS Gallery, University Union, 6000 J St. 278-7250.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNITY FORUM 6:30pm, Woodlake Elem., 700 Southgate Rd. 444-5441.

HIV+ EMOTIONAL SUPPORT GRP, 7:30-9:30, 2800 L St. (across fr. Sutter Gen. Hosp.) 446-3734.

MEN'S FOCUS GROUP 7pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

RALLY AGAINST BREAST CANCER 11:30am, west steps, State Capitol.

FREE WORKSHOP on HIV+ nutritional needs. Mercy Med. Plaza Auditorium, 3941 J, 7pm.

YOUTH HIV OUTREACH 9pm-midnight, Bojangles.

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OUTDOOR ADVENTURES POTLUCK 7pm, McKinley Park. 421-6209.

5 - Thursday

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE MUSIC Symphonic Band Ice Cream Social, 3pm, ARC Cefeteria, 4700 College Oak Dr., 484-8433.

WEAVE AUCTION 7pm, Scottish Rite Temple, 615 H St. $30 advance, $35 at door.

RAINBOW REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS Lunch meeting, 11:30am, Hungry Hunter Restaurant, 450 Bercut Dr. Stanley fong, 455-5033, Jayne Rountree, 921-6642.

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WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 6pm. Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185.

BIKE SACRAMENTO '94 All Day. 457-2264

CINCO de MAYO CELEBRATION Comm. Conv. Ctr Theater, 14th & L, 264-5181.

GAY /LESBIAN ALLIANCE AT CSUS Alternating between general meetings and social outings. 7:30pm, Sacramento Room, University Union, CSUS, 6000 J St. 486-4633.

CODEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS A fellowship of men and women unable to maintain functional relationships. 7:30pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St., 442-0185.

6 - Friday

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY POPS Dancing with Doc Severinsen. CCT, 449-6950.

SPEAKING FROM THE GROUND Ruth Rosenberg Dance Ensemble, 8pm, 24th Street Theatre, 2791 24th St. Tickets: 451-9366.

GAY MEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT Thru Sunday. SanDiego, Trent, 619-582-9263.

GLAS/LGASCC MAY MARDI GRAS Sac CIty College Student Ctr, 7-Midnight.

A CAPITAL CELEBRATION featuring Mumbo Gumbo(music), food, etc. Sponsored by American Cancer Society, 7:30pm, $25. Capital Athletic Club, 1515 8th St. 446-7933.

BASICS OF GOOD NUTRITION talk by Patti Paddock, MPH. CARES 443-3299.

THE HUMAN RACE 5K walk/wheel, 8am registration. William Land Park, Sutterville Rd & 17th Ave. 456-7423.

SPRING GARDEN TOUR thru Sunday. 925-9192.

POKER CLUB For Women. 649-1182.

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LAVENDER UNDERGROUND presents Chris Williamson, Tret Fure & June & Jean Millington in Concert. 2722 L St. 725-5512.

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm to midnight. Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

DOG-A-THON 8am regist., West steps, State Capitol. 477-7324.

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP with Marjorie Thirkettle, 4:30-6pm, RCMCC, 36th & Broadway, 737-3416.

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8 - Sunday

S.A.C.O.R.R. Coalition for Reproductive Right's. Meeting. 7pm, 1701 H St., 763-7705.

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MAY DAY MADNESS Celebration for Women 13 yrs+, thru Sunday. Saratoga Springs, Upper Lake. 707/994-8125.

7 - Saturday

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY POPS See Friday.

CAMELIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Mothers Day Concert, Nan Washburn, Conductor, Sunrise Mall. 344-5844.

GAY FATHERS a fellowship to discuss parenting, relationships and orientation. 924-DADS.

G.L.A.D. TOASTMASTERS Club, MCC, 34th & Broadway, North Hall, 12:30am, 362-9013.

BICYCLING THE FOOTHILLS near Shingle Springs. 421-6209.

PROJECT PETAL MOTHER'S DAY Nursing Home visits/flower deliveries, 10:30am-Noon.371-4830.

FUN IN THE SUN PICNIC for single moms, 1-4pm. No alcohol. McKinley Park, 448-2951.

THE FLIRTATIONS at the Crest Theater, Lambda fundraiser. Details: 442-0185.

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SAGLE 7-9pm, Location rotates at members homes, open to the public. Barbara, 457-7945.

MAD DOG RADIO, 6-8PM, KCBL 88.7FM. Call Mike, 456-5199 for requests.

AIDS INFO SHARING EVENT 5:30-7pm, light buffet. 7:30pm Choral Concert ($5-10) Pioneer Cong. Church, 2700 L St. 443-3727.

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GARDEN PARTY 10-2, Plaza Park, 9th & J. Free admission. 442-8575.

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DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS SERIES The Capitol Steps. 8pm,Community Center Theater, 14th & L.

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY FAIR thru Sunday, Cal Expo Pavilion Bldg C & Lot X. 263-2975.

JAZZ-EE DANCE CO. performance, thru Saturday, 8pm. Studio 1010 Solano Hall, CSUS. 278-6306.

13 - Friday

LAMBDA PLAYERS "Antigone," one woman's battle against prejudice. $10. 8pm, YWCA Theater, 1122 17th St., 442-7752.

PORTRAIT OF A DANCER presentation thru Saturday, 8pm, $5. 185 Hickey Gym, UofC Davis. 758-6391.

CATALINA-ENSENADA CRUISE on "the Southward," 3 nights, Sports Leisure Travel, 361-2051.

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ART IN THE PARK thru Sunday, 10-5, Marshall Gold Discovery Park, Hwy 49, Coloma. 626-7888.

PAJAMA SALE 5am, Quicksilver Mine Co. 14028 Armstrong Woods Rd, Guerneville. 707/869-9357.

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HARRY M. TONKIM Memorial Chapel Series. Ava De Lara, Soprano. $5, 3pm. Congregation B'nai Israel, 3600 Riverside Blvd.

FIESTA MEXICANA, the Russian River, 887-9427.

BAY TO BREAKERS RACE 8am, 415-777-7770.

COMEDY AUCTION to benefit Lambda Letters & MCC 3-5pm, Judith Weintraub Gallery, 1723 J St.

SACRAMENTO AREA BISEXUAL NETWORK meeting, 6:30pm, Lambda Center, 1931 L St. 442-0185.

DRUMMING CIRCLES A gathering for folks to commune through sound and focus on healing. 3-6pm, The Wreck Room, 2513 Broadway, Wayne, 456-1181.

G.L.A.D. TOASTMASTERS Club, MCC, 34th & Broadway, North Hall, 12:30am, 362-9013.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH High Mass, 10am. 1430 J St., 446-2620, 446-0804.

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HIV+ EMOTIONAL SUPPORT GRP, 7:30-9:30, 2800 L St. (across fr. Sutter Gen. Hosp.) 446-3734.

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INTERNATIONAL GODDESS FESTIVAL Thru Sunday. Santa Cruz, 510-444-7724.

BEING GAY TODAY 10pm, Cable Chan. 17. Kate Moore from The Latest Issue, Boyce Hinnan of the Town Council & the new "Lavender Lit" review of gay/lesbian books.

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MASTER CALENDAR FOR GAY/LESBIAN/BI EVENTS

WEAVE Auction	May 5
CAP/PAC Annual Dinner	May 7
Sacramento County Fair	May 12-15
Bay to Breakers Run, 415-777-7770	May 15
AIDS Memorial Candlelight March	May 22
Sacramento Jazz Jubilee	May 27-30
Bay Area Gay Rodeo	May 27-30
Lambda Center Awards Dinner	June
Lambda Freedom Fair Celebration, Capitol Park, 442-0185	June 11
Capital AIDS Walk	June 12
Los Angeles Gay Pride Celebration	June 11-12
S.F. Gay/Lesbian Film Festival	June 9-19
Gay Games - New York	June 18-25
S.F. Gay Pride Parade	June 19
N.Y. Stonewall 25 March	June 26
California State Fair	Aug 19-Sep 5
Rainbow Festival Street Fair	September 4,
RCDC Lambda Awards Dinner	October
Castro Street Fair	October 2
National Coming Out Day	October 11
MGW Newspaper's 17th Anniversary, 441-6397	November
World AIDS Awareness Day/A Day Without Art	December 1
Snow White Champagne Ball for Women, 441-6397	December 11

GALLERIES

Archival Framing Gallery, "Gathering Time," through May 7, "Gone Fishin'...3" May 8-June 4. L St., 444-9624.

American River College Student show, thru May 13, 4700 College Oak, 484-8433.

Big Art Works Anthony Montanino and Jane Maule Nichols, paintings, thru May 6, Kathy Higgins & James Sedlar, May 10-June3. 1928 L St. 446-2740.

CSUS Gallery Jim Hake Sculpture, through Apr 29; Student show and sale, May 2-26, University Union, 6000 J St. 278-7250.

Dexter Smith Studio Guest artist show, May; "Legends" Exhibit, June, 1727 I St. 447-6209.

Dukes Coffee Gallery J.P. Wright, b&w photography show, "More Than Love", through May 13. 2416 16th St. 444-5563.

Inland Boat Club Elizabeth Warren "Patterns of Life," through May 7. 1704 Broadway. 447-9227.

The Luggage Store Gallery, "Family Album" Steve Compton and Lenore Chinn. Jun 8-Jul 1, 6-9pm, 1007 Market St, 2nd Flr., SF.415-255-5971.

Matrix Gallery Artists' books exhibition, through May 27. 1725 I St., 441-4818

Michael Himovitz Gallery 3D Group Exhibition. Through May 7, Ron Paulat, Jim Adan & Wulff Meyer, May 11-June 4. 1020 10th, 448-8723.

Richard L. Nelson Gallery, Lynn Hershman through May 20; Master of Fine Art, June 3-Jul 1. UCD, 752-8500.

Solomon Dubnick Gallery "Anthony Holdsworth / Alan Sanborn" reception May 14 6:30-9pm. 2131 Northrop. 920-4547.

The Center for Contemporary Art "Mariachi Jazz" through May 22, 1116 15th St. 448-6269.

UCD Design Gallery. "Picnic Day Show" through Apr 29; "Fibrous Raiments" May 16 Jun 17. 752-6223.

Viewpoint Gallery Ron Wisner Exhibit through Apr 23. 708 57th St. 451-3063.

Weintraub Hunter Gallery Christine Peirano, through-May 7, Susan Keizer, May 14-Jun 4: "Box Show", Var. Artists Jun 11-Jul 2: "Introductions '94" Var. Artists, Jul 9-Aug 6. .1723 J St. 442-3360.

THEATER

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ARC Theatre "Marat/Sade" Apr. 22-30; Student directed one act plays, May 6-7, 4700 College Oak Dr., 484-8234.

CSUS THEATRE "Dream on Monkey Mountain," Apr 15 - May 1; "Etta Jenks," May 5 -15. CSUS, 6000 J St. 278-6604.

DAVIS COMIC OPERA "Princess Ida," Thru May 1. Veteran's Mem. theater, 14th & B Sts., 758-3262.

The Fantasy Theatre "The Fantasy Festival VIII" thru May 21. The B St. Theatre, 2711 B, 442-5635.

Foothill Actor's Theatre "Abundance" Thru May 7; "Death and the Maiden" Jun 3-18; "Hay Fever" Jul 15-Juy 14; "The Marriage of Bette & Boo" Jul 29 - Sep 3; "I Hate Hamlet" Sep 30 - Oct 22; "A Christmas Carol; Second Stage - "Jacques Brell is Alive and Well and living in Paris" Aug 9-31; "Ice Cream with Hot Fudge" Oct 4-19. Nevada City, 626-7888.

Garbeau's, "Love, Sex and the IRS," Til May 1: "Oklahoma!" May 6-July 10; "The Mousetrap," July 15-Sep 4; "Nunsense," Sep 9-Nov 13; "Rumors," Nov 18-Jan 8. 12401 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova, 985-6361.

Lambda Players "Antigone," May 13 - Jun 11. "Eastern Standard," Jul 22-Aug 20, "Gertrude Stein," Jul 22 - Aug 20. YWCA Theatre, 1122 17th St., 442-7752. Tickets:Comm.Ctr Ticket Office.

Music Circus Broadway Series "Tommy," May 31 - Jun 5. "Lunch" Jul 11-17; "Show Boat" Jul 18-24; "Guys and Dolls" Jul 25-31; "The Secret Garden" Aug 1-7; "Camelot" Aug 8-14; "Big River" Aug 15-21; "The King and I" Aug 22-28. Community Convention Center Theater, 14th & L Sts. 557-1999.

SAC City Actors Theater, "Our Town," Thru May 14: Storytime Theatre - "Aladdin," Til Apr 30. 3835 Freeport, 558-2228.

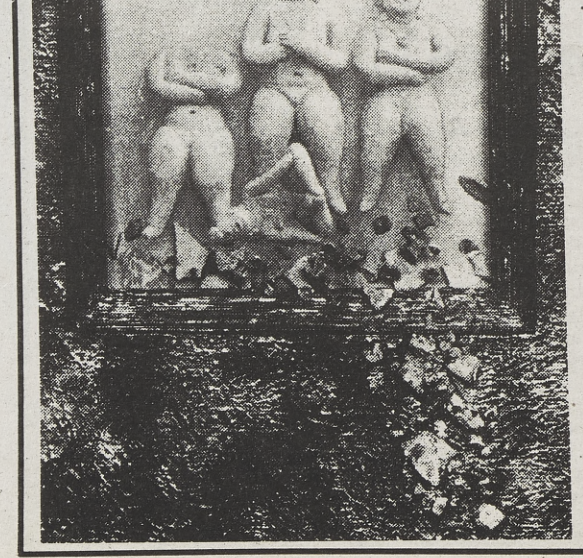
Sacramento Theater Co. "A Cappella," Through May 15, "The Imaginary Invalid," May 10-June 5, 1419 H St., 443-6722.

Studio Theatre "Robin Hood," May 6 - 28; "Pajama Game," Aug 12 - Sep. 3; "You Can't Take It With You," Nov. 4 26; "Nutcracer Ballet," Dec. 2- 18. 127-A Bank St., Grass Valley, 273-2730.

The Show Below "Mrs. Cage" through May 28, 8pm. 2130 L St. 446-2787

The Studio Theatre "Finally Wanna Dance," Til May 7, 4469 D. St. Sac. 455-4676

Theater Rhinoceros "Beyond Baghdad," May 19- Jun 25. 2926 16th St., S.F., 415-861-5079.



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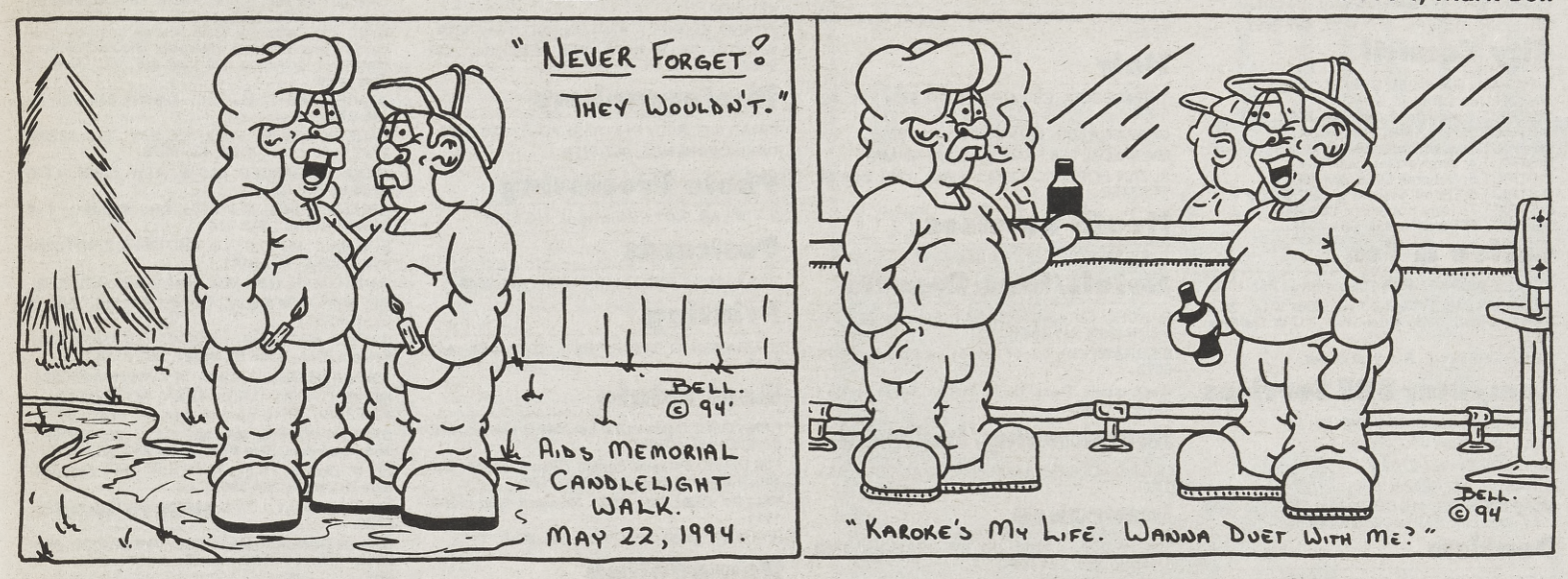

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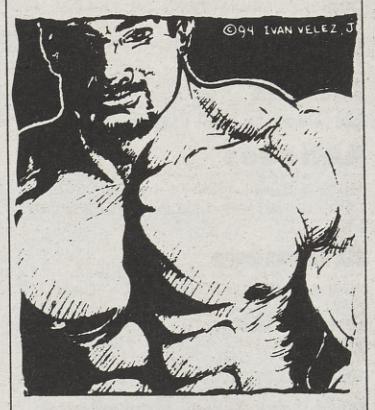

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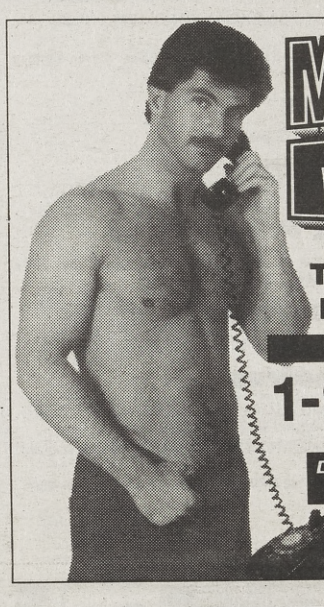

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Sacramento **WIDE RECEIVER SEEKS LINEBACKER:** 26 yr old blk male, football player type. Call if interested. All races welcome. ☎25431

Sacramento **HOMO ALONE:** 5'9", 145, slim and very smooth. Seeking guys, 18-30. I am usually free. Into movies, sunbathing and walks. ☎25514

Sacramento **GET MY GOATEE:** 6'1", 210, blk hair, goatee, Puerto Rican seeks the kind of guy you just can't meet in a bar. I am vers and not afraid to have fun and be a man. ☎26216

Sacramento **TSB RELIEF:** 35 yr old, 5'10", 165. Seeking one or more masc guys for regular get togethers. ☎26230

Sacramento **THE HEAT OF SUMMER:** GWM seeks guys, 18-25 for hot times. Call me at home. ☎26514

Fair Oaks **LET'S ADRENALIZE:** 27 yr old, 6'5", brn/brn. Seeking a buddy to create our own special hidden treasures. Let's get rocked!!! ☎23860

Sacramento **BRING ON MR. RIGHT!:** GWM, 32, seeks another GWM. Let's be good friends and maybe start a relationship. Into cuddling and bubble baths. ☎24356

Sacramento **COUPLE, 26, 28:** Seeking good looking guys around here. We have a hot tub to take care of. ☎20044

Sacramento **EITHER SIDE OF THE CAMERA:** 28 yr old into posing for pictures and videos. I am open-minded and seek same. ☎24536

Sacramento **JOCKS A+:** Masc Italian jock with a flattop seeks another guy, 18-23. ☎24902

Sacramento **STUD BOLT:** 6'2", 180, brn/brn. Hawaiian/Spanish guy. Into the outdoors, biking, the beach, surfing and working out. I am a paramedic and student. ☎24957

Sacramento **THREE'S COMPANY:** 18-30 yr olds sought by a couple of well-groomed guys. Call us at home. ☎20044

Sacramento **THE COMMITMENT:** 27 yr old, brn/brn, 6'5", 150. Big guy likes biking, camping and music. Seeking a guy to cruise California with this summer. ☎25277

Sacramento **HOT REDHEAD:** I am seeking a guy 20-30s who is into men. Call me. Built A+. ☎25219

Sacramento **TWO, THREE, MORE?:** Seeking guys for moresomes. I am hry, 31 and attractive. ☎23229

Sacramento **READY TO SETTLE DOWN:** 33 yr old blk male, 5'11", 145, pos, seeking a friend and a possible relationship. Pos A+. ☎23285

Sacramento **YOU NAME IT:** GWM, early 30s seeks couples for fun. I am into most scenes and a hot time. ☎20164

Sacramento **NICE GUY:** 42 yr old GWM, sincere and romantic seeks same under 45 for a friendship or relationship. ☎23406

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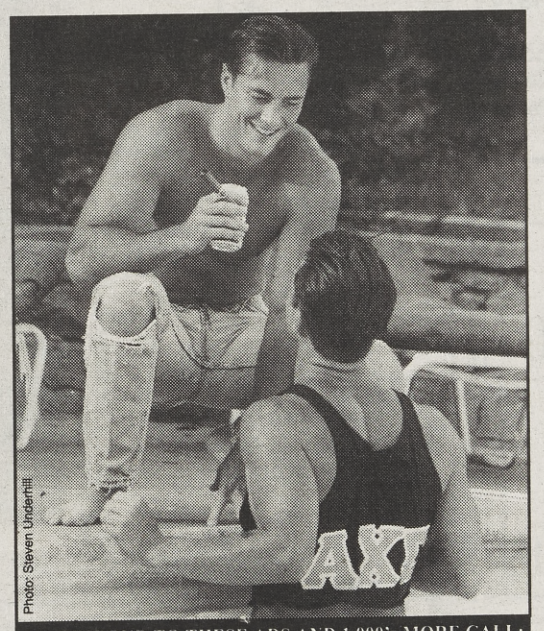

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Fair Oaks **POLAROID PALS:** Seeking yng guys 18-30 for a photo exchange. ☎19810

Sacramento **WILLING SON:** Seeking a daddy bear to be my buddy, sir. ☎19986

Sacramento **COUPLE, 28-26:** Seeking ht times with some open-minded guys. ☎20044

Sacramento **COUPLE:** seeks guys who are ready to laugh, have fun and will do anything you want. ☎20487

Sacramento **SWEET TEEVEEs:** Seeking a yng sweet TV or TS for possible relationship. I am blonde/blue stached, 5'11" and trim. Please call. ☎20576

Sacramento **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED:** My friend and I seek a blk man 18-25. Please call us. We are 25 and 26 and very good looking. You won't be disappointed. ☎20628

Sacramento **ASIAN MAN WANTED:** 18-25 YO Asian wanted by yng couple. ☎20631

Sacramento **WELL RESPECTED MAN:** GWM, 32, 5'6", 146, brn/brn, stache and well-to-do. Seeking similar, please call. ☎21035

PHONE PHANATIC: 6', bld/blu, 220. 32 year old seeks guys his age. Let's talk, maybe meet. ☎19062

SLIM WAIST: 26 year old Asian guy with a 29 in. waist seeks 22-29 YO under 5'9". ☎19126

CARE GIVER: Jim, 41, is seeking a son. I will take care of you. Into just plain fun. ☎15469

MIDTOWN: Couple in their 30's seeks other guys or couples for a good time. ☎15578

ALL AMERICAN: 23 year old, 5'10", blde/brn seeking similar. ☎11159

DOUBLE DOSE: Couple seeks a nice bodied couple or individual. We are 19 and 22. Call us at home. ☎11669

KICK IT, MAN: 5'10", 170 and musc. Clean-shaven guys seeks others to kick it with. Call me at home. ☎12556

HONEY, I'M HOME: Seeking a sensible guy under 27 for movies, dancing and skiing. I would like to have someone to come hame to. ☎12599

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ABSOLUTE BEGINNINGS: Chris, 39, is seeking someone stable and secure. I don't have a lot of experience, but am ready to learn. ☎12695

YOU MAKE THE CALL: 27 year old seeks a man over 30 for a relationship or just plain fun. ☎12781

BELIEVE YOUR EARS: 28 YO Latin mele seeks obedient guy for ...You just better call. ☎13226

ANYWAY YOU WANT IT: 25 YO white guy seeks vers guys. Please call me. ☎13901

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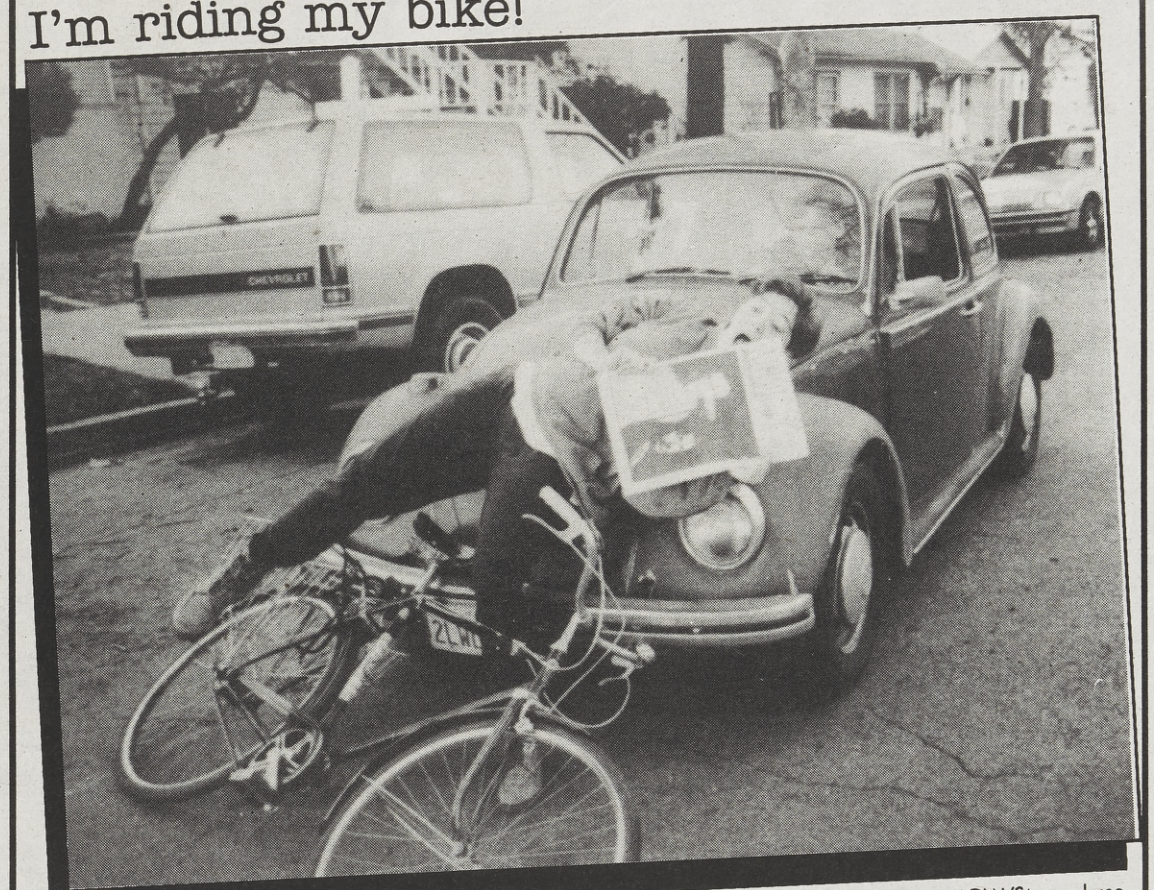

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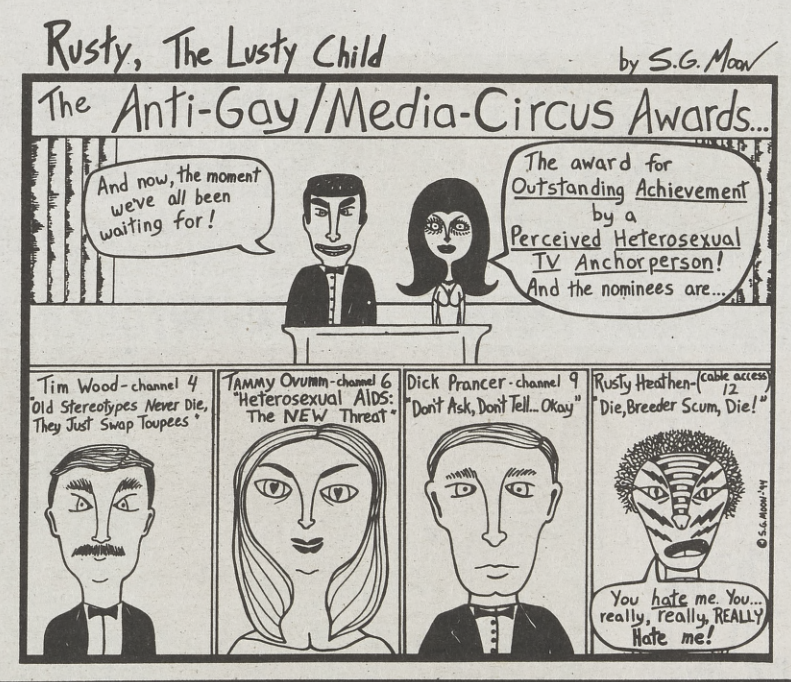
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